

# Hunting and Trapping

## Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department  
of Fish and Game

**Emergency Order** 05-01-19

**Issued at** Nome, Alaska  
January 7, 2019

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.  
January 7, 2019

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2019

### EXPLANATION:

This Emergency Order closes the State resident winter season for antlered bull moose by registration permit hunt RM843 in Unit 22(B), that portion west of the Darby Mountains, at 11:59 p.m. on January 7, 2019 (*Note: this area is identified as the Remainder of Unit 22(B) in the Regulation Section, below*). The harvest quota of 13 antlered bulls is expected to be reached by the closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

### REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE** are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in the Remainder of Unit 22(B):

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
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Remainder of Unit 22(B)

#### RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration  
permit only; or

Sept. 1 - Sept. 6

1 antlered bull by  
registration permit only

**Jan. 1 - Jan. 7**

#### NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang  
Acting Commissioner

By delegation to:



Bill Dunker  
Area Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The western Unit 22(B) moose population has remained stable at a low density ( $\leq 0.25/\text{mi}^2$ ) with recruitment rates at or below 10% between 1999 and 2013. The department completed a spring GSPE abundance survey in March 2016 which resulted in an estimate of 728 observable moose (609-847 at 90% C.I.), and a recruitment rate of 14%. The Alaska Board of Game established a moose registration permit hunt in western Unit 22(B) and the department set an annual harvest quota of 34 bulls based on results from the 2016 spring GSPE moose abundance survey. The fall season closed Sept. 6, 2018 with a reported harvest of 21 bull moose. The winter season, hunt RM843, opened January 1, 2019 with a harvest quota of 13 antlered bulls. The harvest quota is expected to be reached by the closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

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