

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 04-06-22

Issued at: Glennallen, Alaska
September 12, 2022

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m.
June 30, 2023 unless
superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state Tier I Nelchina caribou registration hunt RC562 within Game Management Unit 13 for the remainder of the September season because the quota of 140 bull caribou has been reached. This emergency order does not affect any other caribou hunting regulations in Unit 13.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5AAC 85.025 (a) (8), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Caribou**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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(B)		
Unit 13		
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1 bull every regulatory year by Tier I subsistence permit only; or	Sep. 1– <u>Sep. 13</u> (Subsistence Hunt only) Oct. 21–March 31 (Subsistence Hunt only)	No open season

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All other caribou hunting regulations remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Heidi L. Hatcher
Glennallen Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

To maintain the population objective of 35,000–40,000 Nelchina caribou, harvest quotas are modified annually. The harvest quota for the Nelchina caribou herd for the 2022–2023 season is 1,000 bull caribou. The department believes that harvest of approximately 615 bull caribou from the state season and additional federal harvest can be taken sustainably while allowing for herd growth and providing for subsistence opportunity. The 2022–2023 quota for the Tier I Registration Caribou hunt RC562 is 140 bull caribou, which has been reached.

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