

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 04-06-19

Issued at Dillingham, Alaska
August 27, 2019

Effective Date: 12:00 a.m.
August 27, 2019

Expiration Date: June 30, 2020
unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This update addresses omitted regulatory language to include Units 9A, 9B, and 9C in Emergency Order 04-16-09 which changes the bag limit of the RC503 registration caribou permit from 2 bull caribou to 1 caribou in portions of Game Management Units 9A, 9B, 9C, 17A, 17B, 17C, 18, 19A and 19B at 12:00 a.m., August 27, 2019. The season will run through March 31, 2020.

All other caribou hunting regulations for Units 9, 17, 18 and 19 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.025, Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Caribou**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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 General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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Unit 9(A) and that portion of
Unit 9(C) within the Alagnak
River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit
only

Aug. 1–Mar. 15

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Unit 9(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit

Aug. 1–Mar. 15

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only

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NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

Unit 9(C), that portion north of
the north bank of the Naknek
River and south of the Alagnak
River drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

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1 caribou by registration permit
only;

Aug. 1–Mar. 31

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

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Remainder of Unit 17(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit
only

Aug. 1–Mar. 31

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season

Unit 17(B), that portion in the Unit
17(B) Nonresident Closed Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit
only

Aug. 1–Mar. 31

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season

Remainder of Unit 17(B), and that
portion of 17(C) east of the east banks
of the Wood River, Lake Aleknagik,
Agulowak River, Lake Nerka, and the
Agulupak River

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RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit only

Aug. 1–Mar. 31

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season

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Unit 18

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit only

Aug. 1–Mar. 15

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season

(14)

Unit 19(A), that portion with the Lime Village Management Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit only

Aug. 1–Mar. 15

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season

Units 19(A) and 19(B) within the Nonresident Closed Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit only

Aug. 1–Mar. 15

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season

Remainder of Unit 19(A) and 19(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 caribou by registration permit only

Aug. 1–Mar. 15

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season

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

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Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Lauren Watine
Dillingham Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The RC503 permit area covers the range the Mulchatna caribou herd in portions of Units 9, 17, 18 and 19. The population of Mulchatna caribou herd has been hovering between 20,000–30,000 animals for the past several years. However recent survey information indicates that the herd is now further below the population objective of 30,000–80,000 caribou and management action must take place for the conservation of the herd. Additional state caribou hunting opportunities remain on the Nushagak Peninsula (RC501) and under general harvest in Unit 19C and 19D.

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