

# Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department  
of Fish and Game

**Emergency Order No.** 04-07-21

**Issued at:** Glennallen, Alaska  
August 30, 2021

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.  
Tuesday, August 31, 2021

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m.  
June 30, 2022 unless  
superseded by subsequent  
emergency order

## EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the Nelchina caribou draw hunt DC485 within Game Management Unit 13 for the remainder of the fall season because the quota of 225 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Therefore, the provisions of **5AAC 85.025 (a) (8), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Caribou**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
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Unit 13		
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1 caribou every regulatory year by drawing permit; up to 5,000 permits may be issued;	Aug. 20– <b>Aug. 31</b> Oct. 21–March 31	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:



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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 2021–2022 season is 1,600 caribou. Approximately 1,250 caribou from the state season and additional federal harvest can be taken sustainably while allowing for modest growth and providing for subsistence opportunity. The 2021–2022 quota for the Draw Caribou hunt DC485 of 225 caribou has been met.

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