

PROPOSAL 59

5 AAC 85.045. Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose.

Change the winter, any-moose season for residents in Unit 21D as follows

Unit 21D – Moose

Unit 21D, that portion south of the south bank of the Yukon River, downstream of the up-river entrance of Kala Slough and west of Kala Creek.

Residents – 1 bull by registration permit, OR

Residents - 1 bull by drawing permit only, up to 600 permits may be issued in combination with Unit 21D reminder (August 22-August 31, September 5-September 25); OR

*Residents - 1 moose, by registration permit only, up to 15 days during **December. If the harvest quota is not met , then another 15 day season will be announced in March, however, a person may not take a cow accompanied by a calf . (Winter season to be announced)***

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The Western Interior Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council believes the current 15 day to be announced March moose season in Unit 21D, that portion south of the south bank of the Yukon River, downstream of the up-river entrance of Kala Slough and west of Kala Creek, is too late in the winter to use the meat before breakup. If an earlier season were available, the meat could be kept for a longer period of time and feed people during critical winter months. Changing the season may also give hunters safer access to the Yukon River and therefore an increased opportunity to get moose. The Council submitted a similar proposal to the Federal Subsistence Board to reduce regulatory confusion.

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