

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 04-10-21

Issued at Dillingham, Alaska
September 24, 2021

Effective Date: 12:00 a.m.
September 26, 2021

Expiration Date: June 30, 2022
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order extends the State of Alaska moose hunting season in Game Management Unit 17A (RM571/RM573). The hunting season originally scheduled to close at 11:59 pm on September 25, 2021, will now be extended to 11:59 pm on October 3, 2021. To participate, hunters must possess a valid 2021 Alaska state hunting license, and at least one state registration permit (RM571 and/or RM573). Hunters will be allowed to shoot one bull if they have registration permit RM573 in their possession and/or one antlerless moose if they have permit RM571. Hunters are required to have both permits to shoot two moose (one bull and one antlerless moose).

This emergency order does not affect any other moose hunting regulations in Unit 17.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.045(15), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

	Resident Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
Units and Bag Limits		

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Unit 17(A)

Up to two moose per regulatory
year as follows:

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 moose by registration permit only; or

Aug.25–Oct.3
(Subsistence Hunt only)

1 antlered bull moose by registration permit; during the period Dec. 1–last day of Feb., a season of up to 31 days may be announced by emergency order, or

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1 antlerless moose by registration permit; during the period Dec. 1–last day of Feb., a season of up to 31 days may be announced by emergency order,

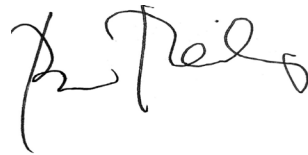
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All other moose regulations remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Bryan Reiley
Dillingham Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Alaska Board of Game and Federal Subsistence Board authorized a fall moose hunting season in Unit 17A with a bag limit of up to two moose. The season was initially opened August 25–September 25, but issues related to weather have contributed to low success. Moose abundance in Unit 17A exceeds the population objective and extending the season allows for more harvest opportunity particularly in the absence of a Mulchatna caribou season. Hunter harvests are an

important management tool for lowering the moose density in this area and communities where no current harvest opportunity exist are encouraged to participate in these hunts to meet subsistence needs.

Hunters who have already harvested a moose during the current regulatory year are eligible to participate in this hunt but can only take one additional moose. Successful hunters must call the Dillingham office (907-493-5003) or Togiak Traditional Council (907-842-2334) to report their harvest within 5 days of kill – all permittees must return their completed hunt report, regardless of success, within 15 days of the close of season. Online hunt reports can be filed here: <http://www.hunt.alaska.gov>.

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