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**M E M O R A N D U M**

**TO:** Frances Leach  
Department of Fish and Game

**FROM:** Scott Meriwether, Office of the Lieutenant Governor  
465.4081

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Meriwether".

**DATE:** May 31, 2017

**RE:** Filed Permanent Regulations: Board of Game

Board of Game Regulations re: February 17 - 25, 2017 Fairbanks Meeting:  
Interior/Northeast Arctic Region (5 AAC 84.270 - 5 AAC 99.025)

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Regulation Filed: 5/30/2017

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cc with enclosures: Linda Miller, Department of Law  
Judy Herndon, LexisNexis  
Kristy Tibbles, Department of Fish & Game

ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO  
REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

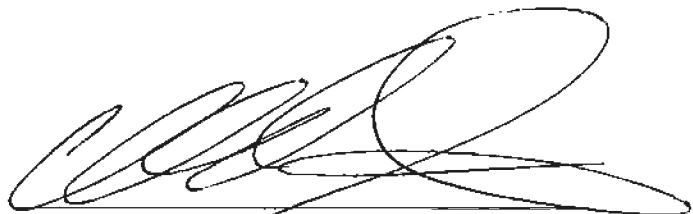
The attached 75 pages of regulations, dealing with the use and taking of game, are hereby adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Alaska Board of Game adopted at its February 17-25, 2017 meeting in Fairbanks, Alaska, under the authority of AS 16.05.255 and AS 16.05.258 and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and AS 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

On the record, in considering public comments, the Alaska Board of Game paid special attention to the costs of private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on July 1, 2017, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

DATE: 5/30/17  
Juneau, Alaska



Charles O. Swanton, Deputy Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game

FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on May 30, 2017, at 4p .m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 – 44.62.120.



Byron Mallott  
Lieutenant Governor

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STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
P.O. BOX 115526  
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**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

UNDER AS 44.17.010, THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR ADOPTING  
REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME UNDER THE ALASKA  
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT ARE DELEGATED TO CHARLES O. SWANTON,  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER.

SIGNED:

*[Signature]*

SAM COTTEN

(Please print name)

SIGNED AND SWORN TO before me this

2

day of

February

2015

[NOTARY SEAL]

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public in and for the  
State of Alaska

My commission expires: with office



Note to Publisher: When a subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, etc. is indicated by the appropriate number or letter and no text follows that symbol, then the omitted text is the same as that set out in the previous register containing the section. Amended text to be added is bolded and underlined. Amended text to be deleted is capitalized and enclosed in brackets.

**Title 5. Fish and Game.**

**Part 3. Game.**

**Chapter 84. Trapping.**

**Article 7. Trapping Seasons and Bag Limits**

5 AAC 84.270(5) is amended to read:

<b>Species and Units</b>	<b>Open Season</b>	<b>Bag Limit</b>
<b>(5) Lynx</b>		
...		
Units 12, 19, 20, 21, and <b><u>25</u></b> [25(C)]	Nov. 1—Mar. 15	No limit.
Units 22, 23, and 26	Nov. 1—Apr. 15	No limit.
Unit 24	Nov. 1—Last day of Feb.	No limit.
[REMAINDER OF UNIT 25]	[NOV. 1—LAST DAY OF FEB.]	[NO LIMIT.]

5 AAC 84.270(14) is amended to read:

**(14) Wolverine**

...

**Units 20(A), 20(B), 20(C)**

Nov. 1—Last day of Feb. No limit.

**east of the Toklat River,**

**20(D), 20(F)** [UNITS 20

(EXCEPT 20(E))], and 25(C)

...

Units 19, **remainder of 20(C),**

Nov. 1—Mar. 31

No limit.

21, 24, and 25 (except 25(C))

Units 22, 23, and 26

Nov. 1—Apr. 15

No limit.

(In effect before 1980; am 7/4/80, Register 75; am 9/30/81, Register 79; am 7/17/82, Register 83; am 6/30/83, Register 86; am 6/30/84, Register 90; am 6/23/85, Register 94; am 8/29/85, Register 95; am 4/24/88, Register 106; am 7/14/88, Register 107; am 8/12/90, Register 115; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 10/1/93, Register 127; am 7/9/95, Register 135; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/1/97, Register 142; am 7/27/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/17/99, Register 151; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 12/28/2001, Register 160; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; add'l am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; add'l am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190;

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add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; 1st add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; em am 5/27/2010 - 9/23/2010, Register 194; am 5/14/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; 1st add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; 7/1/2015, Register 214; 1st add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.060

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.270

### Chapter 85. Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits.

#### Article 2. Seasons and Bag Limits.

5 AAC 85.015(a)(3) is amended to read:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(3)		
...		
Units 9, 11 – 13, Remainder of Unit 16, Units 18, 19(B), 19(C), 20 – 24, 25(A), [25(B),] and 26		
3 bears	No closed season.	No closed season.

[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

...

Units 19(A), 19(D), 25(B), and 25(C)

5 bears

No closed season.

No closed season.

[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

Unit 25(D)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

No closed season.

5 bears; or

[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

5 bears per community

No closed season.

harvest report by community

(Subsistence hunt only)

harvest permit in an

established community

harvest area

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 bears

No closed season.

...

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.015(a)(3) is unchanged.

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 8/25/94, Register 131; am 8/4/95, Register 135; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 8/23/2002, Register 163;

am 5/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 8/14/2007, Register 183; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 11/25/2011, Register 200; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.060

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.330

AS 16.05.255

5 AAC 85.020(a)(19) is amended to read:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
(19)		
<b><u>Units 21(A), 21(B), and 21(C)</u></b>		
[UNIT 21, EXCEPT 21(D)]	[AUG. 10—JUNE 30]	[AUG. 10— JUNE 30]
1 bear every regulatory year	Aug. 10—June 30	Aug. 10—June 30
Unit 21(D)		
1 bear every regulatory year by registration permit	Aug. 10—June 30 (Subsistence hunt only)	No open season.
1 bear every regulatory year	Aug. 10—June 30	Aug. 10—June 30

**Unit 21(E)**



**RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**2 bears every regulatory year**

**Aug. 10—June 30**

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 bear every regulatory year**

**Aug. 10—June 30**

5 AAC 85.020(a)(23) is amended to read:

(23)

Units 25(A) and 25(B)

**July 25—June 30**

**July 25—June 30**

1 bear every regulatory year

[AUG. 10—JUNE 30]

[AUG. 10—

[(GENERAL HUNT  
ONLY)]

JUNE 30]

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Publisher: the remainder of 5 AAC 85.020(a)(23) is unchanged.

5 AAC 85.020(a)(24) is amended to read:

(24)

...

**Unit 26(B), that portion**

**within the Dalton Highway**

**Corridor Management Area**

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 bear every regulatory**

**Aug. 10—Aug. 24**

**year by registration**

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permit only; by bow and

arrow only; or

1 bear every regulatory

Aug. 25—May 31

year by registration

permit only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every regulatory

Aug. 25—May 31

year by drawing permit

only; up to 20 permits

may be issued in combination

with the remainder of 26(B)

Remainder of Unit 26(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every regulatory

Aug. 25—May 31

year by registration

permit only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bear every regulatory

Aug. 25—May 31

year by drawing permit

only; up to 20 permits

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may be issued in combination

with that portion of Unit 26(B)

within the Dalton Highway

Corridor Management Area

Unit 26(C)

1 bear every regulatory year

July 25—June 30

July 25—June 30

[AUG. 10—JUNE 30]

[AUG. 10—

JUNE 30]

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 9/18/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; add'l am 7/1/92, Register 122; am/readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 7/1/94, Register 130; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 8/25/94, Register 131; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/1/97, Register 142; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; add'l am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 12/28/2001, Register 160; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 5/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; add'l am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; add'l am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; em am 8/6/2010 – 12/3/2010, Register 195; am 2/4/2011, Register 197;

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am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 1st add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7/1/2017, Register 222; add'l am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

<b>Authority:</b>	AS 16.05.060	AS 16.05.258	AS 16.05.407
	AS 16.05.255	AS 16.05.330	

5 AAC 85.025(a)(19) is amended to read:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
(19)		
Unit 24(A), that portion south of the south bank of the Kanuti River, and that portion of Unit 25(D) drained by the west fork of the Dall River west of 150° W. long.		
1 caribou	Aug. 10—Mar. 31	Aug. 10—Sept. 30
Remainder of Unit 24(A)[, AND		

REMAINDER OF UNIT 24(B)]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

**10 caribou** [5 CARIBOU PER

**July 1—Apr. 30**

DAY, AS FOLLOWS:

UP TO 5 BULLS PER DAY;

[JULY 1—OCT. 14]

HOWEVER CALVES MAY

[FEB.1—JUNE 30]

NOT BE TAKEN

UP TO 5 COWS PER DAY;

[JUL. 15—APR. 30]

HOWEVER CALVES MAY

NOT BE TAKEN]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

**2 bulls** [1 BULL; HOWEVER

Aug. 1—Sept. 30

CALVES MAY NOT BE

TAKEN]

Unit 24(B), that portion south  
of the south bank of the Kanuti  
River, upstream from and  
including that portion of

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the [KANUTI-KILOITNA]

### **Kanuti-Kilolitna** River

drainage, bounded by the  
southeast bank of the Kodosin  
-Nolitna Creek, then  
downstream along the east  
bank of the Kanuti-Kilolitna  
River to its confluence  
with the Kanuti River

1 caribou

Aug. 10—Mar. 31

Aug. 10—Sept. 30

### **Remainder of 24(B)**

### **RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

#### **5 caribou per day, as follows:**

**up to 5 bulls per day; however**

**July 1—Oct. 14**

**calves may not be taken**

**Feb. 1—June 30**

**up to 5 cows per day; however**

**July 15—Apr. 30**

**calves may not be taken**

### **NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 bull; however calves may not  
be taken**

**Aug. 1—Sept. 30**

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Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.025(a)(19) is unchanged.

5 AAC 85.025(a)(20) is amended to read:

(20)

Unit 25(A), [THOSE PORTIONS  
EAST OF THE EAST BANK  
OF THE EAST FORK  
CHANDALAR RIVER EXTENDING  
FROM ITS CONFLUENCE  
WITH THE CHANDALAR  
RIVER UPSTREAM TO  
GUILBEAU PASS,] Unit 25(B),  
and Unit 25(D), excluding  
the drainage of the west fork  
of the Dall River west  
of 150° W. long.

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

10 caribou

July 1—Apr. 30

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 bulls

Aug. 1—Sept. 30

[REMAINDER OF UNIT 25(A)]

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

10 CARIBOU; HOWEVER COW

CARIBOU MAY NOT BE TAKEN

FROM MAY 16 – JUNE 30

[JULY 1—JUNE 30]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 CARIBOU; HOWEVER COW

CARIBOU MAY NOT BE TAKEN

FROM MAY 16 – JUNE 30]

[JULY 1—JUNE 30]

...

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.025(a)(20) is unchanged.

5 AAC 85.025(a)(21) is amended to read:

(21)

...

Unit 26(B), that portion north of  
69° 30' N. lat. and west of the  
east bank of the Kuparuk River to



a point at 70° 10' N. lat., 149°  
04' W. long., then west  
approximately 22 miles to 70° 10'  
N. lat. and 149° 56' W. long.,  
then following the east bank of  
the Kalubik River to the Arctic  
Ocean

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

5 caribou per day; however,                      July 1—June 30  
cow caribou may not  
be taken May 16 -  
June 30

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

**1 bull**

[5 CARIBOU]

**Aug. 1—Sept. 15**

[JULY 1—APR. 30]

[UNIT 26(B), THAT  
PORTION SOUTH OF  
69° 30' N. LAT.  
AND WEST OF THE  
DALTON HIGHWAY]

[5 CARIBOU; HOWEVER, COW  
CARIBOU MAY BE  
TAKEN ONLY FROM  
JULY 1 - OCT. 10]

[JULY 1—OCT. 10]

[JULY 1—OCT. 10]

[MAY 16—JUNE 30]

[MAY 16—JUNE 30]

[UNIT 26(B), THAT  
PORTION SOUTH OF  
69° 30' N. LAT.  
AND EAST OF THE  
DALTON HIGHWAY]

[5 CARIBOU;  
HOWEVER, COW  
CARIBOU MAY BE  
TAKEN ONLY FROM  
JULY 1 - MAY 15]

[JULY 1—JULY 30]

[JULY 1—JUNE 30]

Remainder of Unit 26(B)

**RESIDENT HUNTERS**

**2 bulls**

**Aug. 1—Apr. 30**

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS****1 bull****Aug. 1—Sept. 15**

[5 CARIBOU;]

[JULY 1—APR. 30]

[JULY 1—APR. 30]

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7/1/2014, Register 210; add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222; add'l am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222 )

**Authority:** AS 16.05.060

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.330

AS 16.05.255

5 AAC 85.045(a)(10) is amended to read:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
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(10)

...

Unit 12, remainder of that

portion in the Tok River

drainage upstream of a

line from Peak 5885

at 63° 09.24' N. lat., 143°

24.25' W. long., to Milepost

105 of the Tok Cutoff Highway

at 63° 07.44' N. lat., 143°

18.14' W. long., then south

along the Tok Cutoff Highway

to the Little Tok River Bridge

at Milepost 98.2; and  
within the Little Tok River  
drainage upstream of the  
Little Tok River Bridge at  
Milepost 98.2 [FROM THE  
TOK CUTOFF BRIDGE]

RESIDENT HUNTERS

Aug. 24—Aug. 28

1 bull with spike-fork antlers  
or 50-inch antlers or antlers  
with 4 or more brow tines  
on one side

Sept. 8—Sept. 17

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS

Sept. 8—Sept. 17

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side

...

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.045(a)(10) is unchanged.

5 AAC 85.045(a)(17) is amended to read:

...

Unit 19(C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with spike-fork or Sept. 1—Sept. 20

50-inch antlers or antlers with

4 or more brow tines on one

side; or

1 bull by registration

**Feb. 1—Last day of Feb.**

permit only

[FEB. 1—FEB. 28]

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Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.045(a)(17) is unchanged.

5 AAC 85.045(a)(18) is amended to read:

(18)

Unit 20(A), the

Ferry Trail

Management Area,

Wood River

Controlled Use

Area, and the

Yanert Controlled

Use Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with spike-fork  
antlers or 50-inch  
antlers or antlers  
with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 25  
[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

1 antlerless moose by  
drawing permit only; up  
to 2,000 permits may  
be issued in combination  
with the Remainder of Unit  
20(A); a person may not  
take a cow accompanied  
by a calf; or

Aug. 15—Nov. 15  
(General hunt only)

1 antlerless moose by  
registration permit only;  
a person may not take  
a cow accompanied  
by a calf; or

**Oct. 1—Last day of Feb.**  
[OCT. 1—FEB. 28]  
[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

1 bull by drawing permit

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

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only; up to 1,000 permits

(General hunt only)

may be issued in combi-

nation with the Remainder

of Unit 20(A); or

1 bull by drawing

**Nov. 1—Dec. 15**

permit only; by

[NOV. 1—NOV. 30]

muzzleloader only;

(General hunt only)

up to 75 permits

may be issued in

combination with

nonresidents in

Unit 20(A); or

1 moose by targeted

Season to be announced

permit only; by shotgun,

by emergency order

**crossbow**, or bow and arrow

(General hunt only)

only; up to 100 permits may

be issued

### NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

antlers or antlers



with 4 or more brow

tines on one side; or

1 bull with 50-inch

antlers or antlers

with 4 or more brow

tines on one side,

by drawing permit

only; by muzzleloader

only; up to 75 permits

may be issued in

combination with

residents in Unit 20(A);

Remainder of Unit 20(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with spike-fork antlers

or 50-inch antlers or antlers

with 3 or more brow tines on

one side; or

1 antlerless moose by drawing

**Nov. 1—Dec. 15**

[NOV.1—NOV. 30]

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

Aug. 15—Nov. 15

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permit only; up to 2000 permits (General hunt only)

may be issued in combination  
with Unit 20(A), the Ferry Trail  
Management Area, Wood River  
Controlled Use Area, and the  
Yanert Controlled Use Area; a  
person may not take a cow  
accompanied by a calf; or

1 antlerless moose by registration  
permit only; a person may not  
take a cow accompanied by  
a calf; or

**Aug.25—Last day of Feb.**

[AUG. 25—FEB. 28]

1 bull by drawing permit only;  
up to 1,000 permits may be issued  
in combination with Unit 20(A),  
the Ferry Trail Management  
Area, Wood River Controlled  
Use Area, and the Yanert  
Controlled Use Area; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

**(General hunt only)**

1 moose by targeted permit

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only; by shotgun, crossbow,

by emergency order

or bow and arrow only; up to

(General hunt only)

100 permits may be issued

### NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

or antlers with 4 or more brow

tines on side;

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Unit 20(B), the

drainage of the

Middle Fork of

the Chena River

1 antlerless moose by

Aug. 15—Nov. 15

drawing permit only;

(General hunt only)

up to 300 permits

may be issued; a

person may not take

a cow accompanied

by a calf; or

1 antlerless moose by

Oct. 1—Last day of Feb.

No open season.

registration permit only; [OCT. 1—FEB. 28]

a person may not take (General hunt only)

a cow accompanied

by a calf; or

1 bull; or Sept. 1—Sept. 25 Sept. 1—Sept. 25

1 bull, by bow Sept. 26—Sept. 30 Sept. 26—Sept. 30

and arrow only; or

[FOR ONE YEAR BEGINNING

JULY 1, 2014,

1 BULL BY DRAWING [NOV. 10—DEC. 10] [NO OPEN

PERMIT ONLY; BY [(GENERAL HUNT SEASON.]

MUZZLELOADER ONLY; UP ONLY)]

TO 60 PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED

IN COMBINATION WITH THE

HUNT IN THE SALCHA RIVER

DRAINAGE UPSTREAM FROM

AND INCLUDING GOOSE CREEK,

AND THE HUNT IN THE SALCHA

RIVER DRAINAGE DOWNSTREAM

OF GOOSE CREEK AND UPSTREAM

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FROM AND INCLUDING BUTTE  
CREEK; OR]

[BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015,]

1 bull by registration permit

Nov. 10—Dec. 10

No open season.

only; by muzzleloader only

(General hunt only)

[, IN THE SALCHA RIVER

DRAINAGE UPSTREAM

FROM AND INCLUDING

BUTTE CREEK];

Unit 20(B), that portion of the

Salcha River drainage

upstream from and including

Goose Creek

1 bull; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

1 bull, by bow and

Sept. 26—Sept. 30

Sept. 26—Sept. 30

arrow only; or

[FOR ONE YEAR BEGINNING

[NOV. 10—DEC. 10]

[NO OPEN

JULY 1, 2014,

[(GENERAL HUNT

SEASON.]

1 BULL BY DRAWING ONLY)]

PERMIT ONLY; BY

MUZZLELOADER ONLY; UP

TO 60 PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED

IN COMBINATION WITH THE

HUNT IN THE MIDDLE FORK

OF THE CHENA RIVER, AND THE

HUNT IN THE SALCHA RIVER

DRAINAGE DOWNSTREAM OF

GOOSE CREEK AND UPSTREAM

FROM AND INCLUDING BUTTE

CREEK; OR]

[BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015,]

Nov. 10—Dec. 10

No open season.

1 bull by registration permit

(General hunt only)

only; by muzzleloader only

[, IN THE SALCHA RIVER

DRAINAGE DOWNSTREAM

OF GOOSE CREEK AND

UPSTREAM FROM AND

INCLUDING BUTTE CREEK];

Unit 20(B), that portion

of the Salcha River drainage  
downstream of Goose  
Creek and upstream from  
and including Butte Creek

1 bull; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 20

Sept. 5—Sept. 20

[1 ANTLERLESS MOOSE BY  
DRAWING PERMIT ONLY;  
UP TO 1,500 PERMITS

[AUG. 15—NOV. 15]  
[(GENERAL HUNT  
ONLY)]

[NO OPEN  
SEASON.]

MAY BE ISSUED IN  
COMBINATION WITH THE  
HUNT IN THE REMAINDER  
OF UNIT 20(B); A PERSON  
MAY NOT TAKE A COW  
ACCOMPANIED BY A CALF; OR]

[1 ANTLERLESS MOOSE BY  
REGISTRATION PERMIT ONLY;  
A PERSON MAY NOT TAKE  
A COW ACCOMPANIED BY  
A CALF; OR]

[OCT. 1—FEB. 28]  
[(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]

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[1 MOOSE BY TARGETED  
PERMIT ONLY; BY SHOTGUN  
OR BOW AND ARROW ONLY;  
UP TO 100 PERMITS MAY BE  
ISSUED; OR]

[SEASON TO BE  
ANNOUNCED BY  
EMERGENCY ORDER  
(GENERAL HUNT  
ONLY)]

[NO OPEN  
SEASON.]

[FOR ONE YEAR BEGINNING  
JULY 1, 2014, 1 BULL BY  
DRAWING PERMIT ONLY;  
BY MUZZLELOADER ONLY;  
UP TO 60 PERMITS MAY BE  
ISSUED IN COMBINATION  
WITH THE HUNT IN THE  
DRAINAGE OF THE MIDDLE  
FORK OF THE CHENA RIVER  
AND WITH THE HUNT IN THE  
SALCHA RIVER DRAINAGE  
UPSTREAM FROM AND  
INCLUDING GOOSE CREEK; OR]

[NOV.10—DEC. 10]  
[(GENERAL HUNT  
ONLY)]

[NO OPEN  
SEASON.]

[BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015,]

1 bull by registration permit  
only; by muzzleloader only

Nov. 10—Dec. 10  
(General hunt only)

No open season.



[, IN THE DRAINAGE OF  
THE MIDDLE FORK  
OF THE CHENA RIVER  
AND IN THE SALCHA RIVER  
DRAINAGE UPSTREAM  
FROM AND INCLUDING  
GOOSE CREEK];

Unit 20(B), that portion south-  
east of the Moose Creek dike  
within one-half mile of each  
side of the Richardson High-  
way

1 bull; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 20

Sept. 5—Sept. 20

1 moose by drawing permit  
only; by crossbow, bow and arrow,  
or muzzleloader only; up to  
100 permits may be issued; or

**Sept. 16—Last day of Feb.** No open season.

[SEPT. 16—FEB. 28]

(General hunt only)

1 moose by targeted permit only;  
by shotgun, crossbow, or bow and

Season to be announced

No open season.

by emergency order

arrow only; up to 100 permits

(General hunt only)

may be issued

Remainder of Unit 20(B)

1 antlerless moose by drawing permit

Aug. 5—Aug. 14

No open season.

only; by youth hunt only; up to 200

**(General hunt only)**

permits may be issued; or

1 bull; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 20

Sept. 5—Sept. 20

1 antlerless moose by drawing

Aug. 15—Nov. 15

No open season.

permit only; up to 1,500 permits

(General hunt only)

may be issued in the Remainder of

Unit 20(B); a person may not take

a cow accompanied by a calf; or

1 antlerless moose by registration

**Oct. 1—Last day of Feb.**

permit only; a person may not take

[OCT. 1—FEB. 28]

a cow accompanied by a calf; or

(General hunt only)

1 moose by targeted permit only;

Season to be announced

No open season.

by shotgun, **crossbow**, or bow and

by emergency order

arrow only; up to 100 permits

(General hunt only)

may be issued

...

Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.045(a)(18) is unchanged.

5 AAC 85.045(a)(19) is amended to read:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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(19)

**(A) before July 1, 2018, the hunting seasons and bag limits for moose in Unit 21**

**are as follows:**

Unit 21(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 antlered bull

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

with 4 or more brow tines

on one side

Unit 21(B), that portion within  
the Nowitna River drainage  
upstream from the Little Mud  
River drainage and outside a  
corridor extending two miles  
on either side of and including  
the Nowitna River

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull

Aug. 22—Aug. 31

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

Remainder of Unit 21(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Aug. 22—Aug. 31

1 bull, by registration permit  
only; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT  
ONLY)]

1 bull, by drawing permit

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

only; up to 300 permits may  
be issued in Unit 21(B)

**(General hunt only)**

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers  
with 4 or more brow tines on  
one side, by drawing permit  
only; up to 300 permits may  
be issued in Unit 21(B)

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

Unit 21(C), that portion  
within the Dulbi River  
drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration permit  
only; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT  
ONLY)]

1 bull, by drawing permit  
only; up to 100 permits may  
be issued in Unit 21(C)

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

**(General hunt only)**

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers  
or antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side, by drawing  
permit only; up to 100 permits  
may be issued in Unit 21(C)

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

Remainder of Unit 21(C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers  
or antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

Unit 21(D), that portion  
within the Koyukuk  
Controlled Use Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

permit only; or

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT  
ONLY)]

1 bull by drawing

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

permit only; up to 320

**(General hunt only)**

permits may be issued in  
combination with Unit 24,  
that portion within the  
Koyukuk Controlled Use Area

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side by drawing  
permit; up to 80 permits may be  
issued in combination with Unit 24,  
that portion within the  
Koyukuk Controlled Use Area

Remainder of Unit 21(D)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration permit

Aug. 22—Aug. 31

only; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

1 bull by drawing permit

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

only; up to 600 permits may be

**(General hunt only)**

issued in Unit 21(D) outside

the Koyukuk Controlled Use

Area; or

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

or antlers with 4 or more

brow tines on one side, by drawing

permit only; up to 600 permits may

be issued in Unit 21(D) outside

the Koyukuk Controlled Use Area

Unit 21(E)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 antlered bull, by registration

**Sept. 1—Sept. 25**

permit only

[SEPT. 5—SEPT. 25]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:



1 bull with 50-inch antlers

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

or antlers with 4 or more

brow tines on one side, by

drawing permit only;

up to 100 permits may

be issued; up to 30

percent of the permits

may be issued to hunters using a

registered guide

**(B) on or after July 1, 2018, the hunting seasons and bag limits for moose in**

**Unit 21 are as follows:**

**Unit 21(A)**

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 antlered bull**

**Sept. 5—Sept. 25**

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers**

**Sept. 5—Sept. 25**

**with 4 or more brow tines**

**on one side**

Unit 21(B), that portion within  
the Nowitna River drainage  
upstream from the Little Mud  
River drainage and outside a  
corridor extending two miles  
on either side of and including  
the Nowitna River

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

1 bull

Aug. 22—Aug. 31

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

**Remainder of Unit 21(B)**

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

1 bull, by registration permit  
only; or

Aug. 22—Aug. 31

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull, by drawing permit

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

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only; up to 300 permits may  
be issued in Unit 21(B)

(General hunt only)

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

with 4 or more brow tines on

one side, by drawing permit

only; up to 300 permits may

be issued in Unit 21(B)

Unit 21(C), that portion

within the Dulbi River

drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration permit

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

or antlers with 4 or more brow

tines on one side, by registration

permit only;

Remainder of Unit 21(C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS

1 bull

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

or antlers with 4 or more brow

tines on one side

Unit 21(D), that portion

within the Koyukuk

Controlled Use Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

permit only; or

1 bull by drawing

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

permit only; up to 320

(General hunt only)

permits may be issued in

combination with Unit 24,

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that portion within the

Koyukuk Controlled Use Area

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or

antlers with 4 or more brow

tines on one side by drawing

permit; up to 80 permits may be

issued in combination with Unit 24,

that portion within the

Koyukuk Controlled Use Area

Remainder of Unit 21(D)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration permit

Aug. 22—Aug. 31

only; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull, by drawing permit

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

only; up to 600 permits may be

(General hunt only)

issued in Unit 21(D) outside

the Koyukuk Controlled Use

Area; or

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 bull with 50-inch antlers**

**Sept. 5—Sept. 25**

**or antlers with 4 or more**

**brow tines on one side, by drawing**

**permit only; up to 600 permits may**

**be issued in Unit 21(D) outside**

**the Koyukuk Controlled Use Area**

**Unit 21(E)**

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 antlered bull by registration**

**Sept. 1—Sept. 25**

**permit only**

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 bull with 50-inch antlers**

**Sept. 5—Sept. 25**

**or antlers with 4 or more**

**brow tines on one side, by**

**drawing permit only;**

**up to 100 permits may**

**be issued; up to 30**

**percent of the permits**

**may be issued to hunters using a**

**registered guide**

5 AAC 85.045(a)(22) is amended to read:

(22)

**(A) before July 1, 2018, the hunting seasons and bag limits for moose in Unit 24**

**are as follows:**

Unit 24(A), that portion in the  
Dalton Highway Corridor  
Management Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by drawing permit;

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

up to 70 permits may be issued

**(General hunt only)**

in combination with Unit 25(A),

that portion within the Dalton

Highway Corridor Management

Area

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers

with 4 or more brow tines on one side,

by drawing permit only; up to 70

### Remainder of Unit 24(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

Unit 24(B) [ALL DRAINAGES OF  
THE KOYUKUK RIVER  
UPSTREAM FROM THE  
HENSHAW CREEK DRAINAGE,  
EXCLUDING THE NORTH FORK  
OF THE KOYUKUK RIVER  
DRAINAGE]



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RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

1 antlered bull, by

registration permit only

Dec. 15—Apr. 15

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

with 4 or more brow tines on one side

[REMAINDER OF UNIT 24(B)]

[RESIDENT HUNTERS:]

[1 BULL; OR]

SEPT. 1—SEPT. 25]

[1 ANTLERED BULL BY

REGISTRATION PERMIT ONLY]

[DEC. 15—APR. 15]

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

[NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:]

[1 BULL WITH 50-INCH ANTLERS OR ANTLERS

[SEPT. 5—SEPT. 25]

WITH 4 OR MORE BROW TINES ON ONE SIDE]

Unit 24(C), that portion within

the Koyukuk Controlled Use

Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

permit only; or

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

1 bull by drawing

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

permit only; up to 320

**(General hunt only)**

permits may be issued in

combination with Units 21(D)

and 24(D), those portions within

the Koyukuk Controlled Use

Area; or

1 antlered bull, by

Dec. 15—Apr. 15

registration permit only

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers

or antlers with 4 or more

brow tines on one side,

by drawing permit only;

up to 80 permits may be

issued in combination with

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Units 21(D) and 24(D), those  
portions within the Koyukuk  
Controlled Use Area

Remainder of Unit 24(C)

### RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration permit  
only; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

1 bull, by drawing permit only;  
up to 450 permits may be issued  
in combination with Unit 24(D)  
outside the Koyukuk Controlled  
Use Area; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

**(General hunt only)**

1 antlered bull, by  
registration permit only

Dec. 15—Apr. 15

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

### NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side, by drawing  
permit; up to 450 permits may

be issued in combination with  
Unit 24(D) outside the Koyukuk  
Controlled Use Area

Unit 24(D), that portion within  
the Koyukuk Controlled Use  
Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration  
permit only; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 25  
[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

1 bull, by drawing permit  
only; up to 320 permits  
may be issued in combination  
with Units 21(D) and 24(C), those  
portions within the Koyukuk  
Controlled Use Area; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25  
**(General hunt only)**

1 bull

Dec. 1—Dec. 10  
[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

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1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side, by drawing  
permit only; up to 80 permits  
may be issued in combination  
with Units 21(D) and 24(C), those  
portions within the Koyukuk  
Controlled Use Area

Remainder of Unit 24(D)

### RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by **registration** [DRAWING]  
permit[;]only; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

[(SUBSISTENCE HUNT ONLY)]

1 bull, by drawing permit only;  
up to 450 permits may be issued  
in Unit 24 outside the Koyukuk  
Controlled Use Area

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

**(General hunt only)**

### NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow

tines on one side, by drawing

permit only; up to 450 permits may

be issued in Unit 24 outside the

Koyukuk Controlled Use Area

**(B) on or after July 1, 2018, the hunting seasons and bag limits for moose in**

**Unit 24 are as follows:**

**Unit 24(A), that portion in the**

**Dalton Highway Corridor**

**Management Area**

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 bull, by drawing permit;**

**Sept. 1—Sept. 25**

**up to 70 permits may be issued**

**(General hunt only)**

**in combination with Unit 25(A),**

**that portion within the Dalton**

**Highway Corridor Management**

**Area**

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

**1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers**

**Sept. 5—Sept. 25**

**with 4 or more brow tines on one side,**

by drawing permit only; up to 70

permits may be issued

in combination with Unit 25(A),

that portion within the Dalton

Highway Corridor Management

Area

Remainder of Unit 24(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

with 4 or more brow tines on one side

Unit 24(B)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

1 antlered bull by

Dec. 15—Apr. 15

registration permit only

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers  
with 4 or more brow tines on one side

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

Unit 24(C), that portion within  
the Koyukuk Controlled Use  
Area

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

1 bull, by registration  
permit only; or

Sept. 1—Sept. 25

1 bull, by drawing  
permit only; up to 320  
permits may be issued in  
combination with Units 21(D)  
and 24(D), those portions within  
the Koyukuk Controlled Use  
Area; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25  
(General hunt only)

1 antlered bull, by  
registration permit only

Dec. 15—Apr. 15

**NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:**

Sept. 5—Sept. 25



1 bull with 50-inch antlers  
or antlers with 4 or more  
brow tines on one side,  
by drawing permit only;  
up to 80 permits may be  
issued in combination with  
Units 21(D) and 24(D), those  
portions within the Koyukuk  
Controlled Use Area

Remainder of Unit 24(C)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration permit  
only; or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 antlered bull, by  
registration permit only

Dec. 15—Apr. 15

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side, by registration  
permit only;

Unit 24(D), that portion within  
the Koyukuk Controlled Use  
Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration Sept. 1—Sept. 25  
permit only; or

1 bull, by drawing permit Sept. 5—Sept. 25  
only; up to 320 permits (General hunt only)  
may be issued in combination  
with Units 21(D) and 24(C), those  
portions within the Koyukuk  
Controlled Use Area; or

1 bull Dec. 1—Dec. 10

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or  
antlers with 4 or more brow  
tines on one side, by drawing

permit only; up to 80 permits

may be issued in combination

with Units 21(D) and 24(C), those

portions within the Koyukuk

Controlled Use Area

Unit 24(D), that portion

west of the Koyukuk

Controlled Use Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration permit

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

only; or

1 bull, by drawing permit only;

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

up to 450 permits may be issued

(General hunt only)

in Unit 24 outside the Koyukuk

Controlled Use Area

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

antlers with 4 or more brow

tines on one side, by drawing

permit only; up to 450 permits

may be issued in Unit 24

outside the Koyukuk

Controlled Use Area

Remainder of Unit 24(D)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull, by registration

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

permit only

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Sept. 5—Sept. 25

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or

antlers with 4 or more brow

tines on one side, by registration

permit only

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 12/30/89, Register 112; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 6/26/92, Register 123; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 7/17/92, Register 123; am/readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 11/10/93, Register 128; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 8/25/94, Register 131; em am 9/23/94 - 1/20/95, Register 131; em am 11/9/94 - 3/8/95, Register 132; am 7/16/95, Register 135; am 8/4/95, Register 135; em am 2/14/96 - 6/13/96, Register 137; am 6/28/96, Register 138;

am 8/1/96, Register 139; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; em am 8/31/98 - 12/28/98, Register 147; em am 2/17/99 - 6/16/99, Register 149; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 1/1/2001, Register 156; em am 9/28/2000 - 1/25/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 10/26/2001, Register 160; em am 9/27/2001 - 10/6/2001, Register 160; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; em am 8/23/2002 - 12/20/2002, Register 163; am 12/5/2002, Register 164; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; add'l am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 11/1/2004, Register 172; am 12/30/2004, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; add'l am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 12/1/2006, Register 180; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; em am 2/22/2008 – 3/2/2008, Register 185; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; em am 7/3/2008 – 10/30/2008, Register 187; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; em am 8/22/2010 – 11/29/2010, Register 195; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; 1st add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 12/25/2011, Register 200; am 2/11/2012, Register 201; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; 1st add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; 3rd add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; add'l am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222; add'l am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.060

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.780

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.330

AS 16.05.789

5 AAC 85.055(a)(10) is amended to read:

(10)

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Unit 24(B), that portion within	Aug. 1—Apr. 30	No open season.
the John River drainage upstream		
from Till Creek, and that		
portion within the Glacier		
River drainage		

3 sheep, **of which not more than**

**one may be a ewe**

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Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 85.055(a)(10) is unchanged.

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 4/25/96, Register 138; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 10/23/96, Register 140; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 11/28/2003, Register 168; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 12/1/2007, Register 184; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.060

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

5 AAC 85.057(a) is amended to read:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
...		
Units 6 - 10, 12, 15, 16(B), 17 and <u>19 – 25, and 26(A)</u> [19 - 26] 1 wolverine	Sept. 1—Mar. 31 [(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]	Sept. 1—Mar. 31
Units 11, 13, 14, and 16(A)  1 wolverine	Sept. 1—Jan. 31 [(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]	Sept. 1—Jan. 31
Unit 18  2 wolverine	Sept. 1—Mar. 31 [(GENERAL HUNT ONLY)]	Sept. 1—Mar. 31
<u>Units 26(B) and 26(C)</u>	<u>Aug. 20—Mar. 31</u>	<u>Aug. 20—Mar. 31</u>

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222)

## Chapter 92. Statewide Provisions.

### Article 1. General.

5 AAC 92.003 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

**(m) A person must have successfully completed a department-approved hunter orientation course, to include antler recognition, prior to hunting moose in Units 7 and 15.**

(Eff. 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222)

Authority: AS 16.05.255

AS 16.55.020

### Article 3. Permits.

5 AAC 92.044(b)(1) is amended to read:

(1) a person may establish a black bear bait station, or a black and brown bear bait station in Units 7, 11, 12, 13, 14(B), 15, 16, 18, **19(A), 19(D)**, 20(A), 20(B), 20(C), **that portion of 20(D) north of the Tanana River,** 20(E), **20(F), 21(C)**, 21(D), 23, 24(C), 24(D), and 25(D), only if that person obtains a permit under this section;

5 AAC 92.044(b)(13) is amended to read:

(13) in Units 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14(A), 14(B), 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26(B), and 26(C), a hunter who has been airborne may take or assist in taking a black bear at a



bait station with the use of bait or scent lures under a permit issued by the department, and if the hunter is at least 300 feet from the airplane at the time of taking; in Units 7, 11, 12, 13, 14(B), 15, 16, 18, **19(A), 19(D), 20(A), 20(B), 20(C), that portion of 20(D) north of the Tanana River, 20(E), 20(F), 21(C), 21(D), 23, 24(C), 24(D), and 25(D)**, a hunter who has been airborne may take or assist in taking a brown bear at a bait station with the use of bait or scent lures under a permit issued by the department, and if the hunter is at least 300 feet from the airplane at the time of taking.

(Eff. 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 12/30/2004, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 5/21/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 4/14/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 3/1/2011, Register 197; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 4/8/2012, Register 201; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 1st add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register **222**; add'l am 7 / 1 /2017, Register **222**)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.255 AS 16.05.330

#### **Article 4. Methods and Means.**

5 AAC 92.080(11) is amended to read:

(11) **unless specifically authorized by regulation,** with the use of a crossbow in any restricted weapons hunt that authorizes taking by bow and arrow;

(Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 6/19/86, Register 98; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/12/90, Register 115; am 7/1/92, Register 122; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 4/25/96, Register 138; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register

154; 1st add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 1/1/2005, Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; em am 1/26/2006 – 5/25/2006, Register 177; am 4/12/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 12/1/2006, Register 180; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 5/20/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

AS 16.05.920

5 AAC 92.090(1) is amended to read:

(1) by using a [DOG,]trap, snare, net, [OR]fish trap, or dog, except that in Unit 20(D) a dog may be used to hunt coyotes after registering with the department and the department may use its discretionary authority under 5 AAC 92.052 as needed;

(Eff. 7/5/85, Register 95; am 8/14/88, Register 107; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 7/1/92, Register 122; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/9/95, Register 135; am 10/4/97, Register 144; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222)

**Authority:**

AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.783

AS 16.05.920

AS 16.05.258

## **Article 5. Intensive Management and Predator Control.**

5 AAC 92.108 is amended to read:

<b>Population</b>	<b>Finding</b>	<b>Population Objective</b>	<b>Harvest Objective</b>
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#### **Caribou Herds**

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Delta	<u><b>Negative</b></u>	[5,000-7,000]	[300-700]
	[POSITIVE]		

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Publisher: The remainder of 5 AAC 92.108 is unchanged.

(Eff. 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; add'l am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; add'l am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 9/1/2006, Register 179; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

<b>Authority:</b>	AS 16.05.255	AS 16.05.258	AS 16.05.270
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5 AAC 92.124(b) is repealed and readopted to read:

(b) **Unit 21(E) Predation Control Area.** The Unit 21(E) Predation Control Area is established in Unit 21(E), encompassing approximately 7,993 square miles; this predation control program does not apply within National Park Service or National Wildlife Refuge lands

unless approved by the federal agencies; notwithstanding any other provision in this title, and based on the following information contained in this section, the commissioner or the commissioner's designee may conduct a wolf and black bear and brown bear population reduction or a wolf and black bear and brown bear population regulation program in Unit 21(E) to benefit moose:

(1) the following Wolf and Bear Control Focus Areas are established in the Unit 21(E) Predation Control Area; the areas do not delineate a moose, wolf, or bear population and are not intended to distinguish animals within the areas from populations in Unit 21(E); the purpose is to focus wolf and bear control in a relatively small area where moose numbers can be better estimated, where moose are accessible to hunters, and where harvest can be closely monitored;

(A) the Wolf Control Focus Area (WCFA) encompasses approximately 4,126 square miles within Unit 21(E) within the area south of 63° 06.00' N. lat., north of 61° 54.00' N. lat., and easterly of a line starting at 62° 08.00' N. lat., 160° 35.00' W. long., then north to 62° 44.00' N. lat., 160° 35.00' W. long., then east to 62° 44.00' N. lat., 160° 10.00' W. long., then north to 62° 56.00' N. lat., 160° 10.00' W. long., then east to 62° 56.00' N. lat., 160° 05.00' W. long., then north to 63° 00.00' N. lat., 160° 05.00' W. long., then east to 63° 00.00' N. lat., 160° 00.00' W. long., then north to 63° 02.00' N. lat., 160° 00.00' W. long., then east to 62° 02.00' N. lat., 159° 55.00' W. long., then north to 63° 06.00' N. lat., 159° 55.00' W. long.; wolf control will be conducted only within the WCFA; the department has the discretion to adjust the area's size and shape to include up to approximately 4,500 square miles of Unit 21(E);

## (B) the Black Bear and Brown Bear Control Focus Area (BCFA)

encompasses approximately 556 square miles consisting of those portions of the Yukon River drainage within the area starting at 62° 08.00' N. lat., 159° 25.00' W. long., then west to 62° 08.00' N. lat., 159° 45.00' W. long., then north to 62° 14.00' N. lat., 159° 45.00' W. long., then west to 62° 14.00' N. lat., 160° 00.00' W. long., then north to 62° 22.00' N. lat., 160° 00.00' W. long., then west to 62° 22.00' N. lat., 160° 05.00' W. long., then north to 62° 28.00' N. lat., 160° 05.00' W. long., then west to 62° 28.00' N. lat., 160° 10.00' W. long., then north to 62° 36.00' N. lat., 160° 10.00' W. long., then east to 62° 36.00' N. lat., 159° 30.00' W. long., then south to 62° 16.00' N. lat., 159° 30.00' W. long., then east to 62° 16.00' N. lat., 159° 25.00' W. long., then south to 62° 08.00' N. lat., 159° 25.00' W. long.; bear control will be conducted only within the BCFA; the department has the discretion to adjust the area's size and shape up to approximately 800 square miles of Unit 21(E); the BCFA is entirely within the WCFA;

(2) this is a continuing control program that was first authorized by the board in 2010 for wolf control; it is currently designed to increase moose numbers and harvest in the WCFA and BCFA by reducing predation on moose and is expected to make a contribution to achieving the intensive management (IM) objectives in Unit 21(E);

(3) moose, wolf, black bear, and brown bear objectives are as follows:

(A) the moose IM population objective established by the board for Unit 21(E) is 9,000–11,000 moose; the IM harvest objective for Unit 21(E) is 550–1,100 moose annually;

(B) the density objective for moose in the WCFA is 1.0 per square mile (corrected for sightability) during late winter surveys; the annual moose harvest objective for the WCFA is 165;

(C) the wolf control objective in the WCFA is to reduce wolf numbers by at least 60–80 percent; the pre-control estimate within the WCFA is 80 wolves; the pre-control wolf population in Unit 21(E) is estimated at 150; a minimum of 30 wolves post-control in Unit 21(E) will ensure that wolves persist in Unit 21(E);

(D) the black bear control objective in the BCFA is to reduce black bear numbers to the lowest level possible; the pre-control black bear population in Unit 21(E) is estimated at 1,900–2,275; the pre-control estimate within the BCFA is 130–160; because the BCFA is a relatively small geographic area, removing black bears from within it will have only a minor effect on the black bear population in Unit 21(E);

(E) the brown bear control objective in the BCFA is to reduce brown bear numbers to the lowest level possible; the pre-control brown bear population in Unit 21(E) is estimated at 100–200; the pre-control estimate within the BCFA is 10–15; because the BCFA is a relatively small geographic area, removing brown bears from within it will have only a minor effect on the brown bear population in Unit 21(E);

(4) board findings concerning populations and human use are as follows:

(A) a proactive approach is needed to allow for a timely response to a decline in the Unit 21(E) moose population if IM population and harvest objectives have not been met;

(B) predation by wolves and bears is an important cause of failure to achieve population or harvest objectives;

(C) a reduction of wolf and bear predation within the WCFA and BCFA can reasonably be expected to make progress towards achieving the Unit 21(E) IM objectives;

(D) reducing predation is likely to be effective and feasible using recognized and prudent active management techniques and based on scientific information;

(E) reducing predation is likely to be effective given land ownership patterns;

(5) if the moose density in Unit 21(E) declines to fewer than 1.0 moose per square mile (corrected for sightability) then authorized methods and means are as follows:

(A) hunting and trapping of wolves and hunting of black bears and brown bears by the public in Unit 21(E) during the term of this program may occur as provided in the hunting and trapping regulations set out elsewhere in this title, including use of motorized vehicles;

(B) notwithstanding any other provisions in this title, the commissioner may allow department employees to conduct aerial, land and shoot, or ground-based lethal removal of wolves and black bears and brown bears using state-owned, privately-owned, or chartered equipment, including helicopters, under AS 16.05.783;

(C) notwithstanding any other provisions in this title, the commissioner may issue public aerial shooting permits and public land and shoot permits using fixed-wing aircraft as a method of wolf removal under AS 16.05.783;

(6) time frame is as follows:

(A) through June 30, 2023, the commissioner may authorize removal of wolves and black bears and brown bears in Unit 21(E);

(B) annually, upon implementation of predation control, the department shall, to the extent practicable, provide to the board a report of program activities conducted during the preceding 12 months, including implementation activities, the status of the moose, wolf and bear populations, and recommendations for changes, if necessary to achieve the objectives of the plan;

(7) the commissioner will review, modify or suspend program activities as follows:

(A) when wolf surveys or accumulated information from department personnel, hunters, trappers, and permittees indicate the need to avoid reducing wolf numbers in Unit 21(E) below 30 wolves;

(B) when the moose density and harvest objectives within the WCFA specified in this subsection are achieved.

(Eff. 10/1/93, Register 127; am 8/18/95, Register 135; am 7/1/96, Register 138; add'l am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/27/97, Register 143; am 2/22/2000, Register 153; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/19/2000, Register 155; am 1/3/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/26/2003, Register 167; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 1/1/2005,



Register 172; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 1/26/2006, Register 177; am 6/24/2006, Register 178; am 9/1/2006, Register 179; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 3/21/2008, Register 186; am 5/20/2008, Register 186; am 5/21/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 5/16/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 12/15/2010, Register 196; am 1/29/2011, Register 197; am 5/14/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 3/24/2012, Register 201; am 4/1/2012, Register 201; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.270

AS 16.05.783

#### **Article 6. Possession and Transportation.**

5 AAC 92.130(j) is repealed:

(j) Repealed 7/1/2017. (Eff. 6/19/86, Register 98; am 8/8/87, Register 103; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/12/90, Register 115; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

5 AAC 92.132 is amended to read:

**5 AAC 92.132. Bag limit for brown bears.** A person may not take more than one brown bear every four regulatory years, except that:

(1) the bag limit for brown bear in Unit 1(C), Berners Bay drainages, Units 6 (except Unit 6(D)), 7, 11, 12, 13, 14(B), (C), that portion within the Chugach State Park

Management Area, Units 15, 16(A), 18, 19(B), 19(C), 20 (except Unit 20(E)), 21, **except for residents in 21(E), 22(C), 22(D), 22(E), 24, 25(A), 25(B), 25(C), and 26** is one bear per regulatory year; a bear taken in these units does not count against the one bear every four regulatory years' bag limit established for brown bears in other units; in Units 16(B), 19(A), 19(D), 20(E), [AND] 22(A), **22(B), 23, and 25(D)**, a person may take two brown bears per regulatory year; a bear taken in these units does not count against the one bear every four regulatory years' bag limit established for brown bears in other units;

(2) repealed 8/9/90;

(3) repealed 8/9/90;

(4) the bag limit for a resident hunting in Unit 9(B), all drainages in Unit 9(E) that drain into the Pacific Ocean between Cape Kumliun and the border of Unit 9(D) and Unit 9(E), Unit 17, Unit 18, that portion of **Unit** [UNITS 19(A) AND] 19(B) downstream of and including the Aniak River drainage, Unit 21(D), Unit 22(C), Unit 22(D), Unit 22(E), Unit 24, and Unit 26(A) with a subsistence brown bear registration permit is one bear per regulatory year; **the bag limit for a resident hunting in Units 19(A) downstream of and including the Aniak River drainage, 22(A), 22(B), and 23 with a subsistence brown bear registration permit is two bears per regulatory year;** a bear taken under a registration permit in any of these areas will not count against the one bear every four regulatory years bag limit established for brown bears taken under a resident tag;

(5) repealed 7/1/2004;

(6) a person may not take more than one brown bear, statewide, in any regulatory year, except that in Units 16(B), 17, 19(A), 19(D), 20(E), 22(A), 22(B), 23, and 25(D), a person may take two brown bears per regulatory year, **and residents may take two brown bears per**

**regulatory year in Unit 21(E).** (Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 7/1/92, Register 122; readopt 5/13/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 7/1/2001, Register 158; am 12/28/2001, Register 160; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 12/1/2007, Register 184; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/13/2012, Register 203; am 7/1/2013, Register 206; add'l am 7/1/2013, Register 206; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2017, Register 222; add'l am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

**Authority:** AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258

### **Article 12. Restricted Areas**

5 AAC 92.540(3)(E)(ii) is amended to read:

(3) Units 13 and 20:

(E) the Glacier Mountain Controlled Use Area:

(ii) the area is closed to the use of any motorized vehicle for hunting, including the transportation of hunters, their hunting gear, or parts of game, from **July 26** [AUGUST 5] through September 20; however, this provision does not prohibit motorized access via, or transportation of game on, the Taylor Highway or any airport, or the transportation into the area of game meat that has been processed for human consumption;

5 AAC 92.540(7)(A)(ii) is amended to read:

(7) Unit 19

(A) the Upper Kuskokwim Controlled Use Area:

(ii) the area is closed to the use of aircraft for hunting moose, including the transportation of moose hunters, their hunting gear, or parts of moose **from September 1 through September 25**; however, this provision does not apply to the transportation of moose hunters, their hunting gear, or parts of moose by aircraft between publicly owned airports, **including McGrath, Medfra, Nikolai, and Takotna**, or the transportation into the area of game meat that has been processed for human consumption;

(Eff. 8/20/89, Register 111; am 8/9/90, Register 115; am 8/10/90, Register 115; am 12/27/90, Register 116; am 6/16/91, Register 118; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 7/1/92, Register 122; am 7/1/93, Register 126; am 7/7/94, Register 131; am 4/25/96, Register 138; am 6/28/96, Register 138; am 7/1/96, Register 138; am 7/1/97, Register 142; am 7/1/98, Register 146; add'l am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/99, Register 150; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; add'l am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 3/17/2001, Register 157; am 8/22/2001, Register 159; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; 1st add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/25/2002, Register 163; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; add'l am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2005, Register 174; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; add'l am 7/1/2011, Register 198; em am 9/9/2011 — 1/6/2012, Register 200; am 7/1/2014, Register 210, 1st add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210, 2nd add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 210; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; am 7/1/2017, Register 222; add'l am 7/1/2017, Register 222)

Authority: AS 16.05.255

**Part 7. Subsistence Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping.****Chapter 99. Subsistence Uses.****5 AAC 99.025. Customary and traditional uses of game populations.**

(a) The Board of Game has examined whether the game populations in the units set out in the following table, excluding those units or portions of those units within nonsubsistence areas established by the Joint Board of Fisheries and Game (5 AAC 99.015), are customarily and traditionally taken or used for subsistence and make the following findings:

5 AAC 99.025(a)(3) is amended to read:

SPECIES & UNIT	FINDING	AMOUNT REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR SUBSISTENCE USES
(3) Brown Bear		
...		
<u>Units 25(A), 25(B), 25(C)</u>	negative	
<u>Unit 25(D)</u> [Unit 25]	<u>positive</u>	

(Eff. 8/8/87, Register 103; am 7/14/88, Register 107; am 8/20/89, Register 111; am 10/27/90, Register 116; am 8/10/91, Register 119; am 5/13/93, Register 126; am 10/4/97, Register 144; am 7/1/98, Register 146; am 7/1/2000, Register 154; am 1/1/2001, Register 156; am 7/1/2001, Register

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158; am 7/1/2002, Register 162; am 7/1/2003, Register 166; am 7/1/2004, Register 170; am 7/1/2006, Register 178; add'l am 7/1/2006, Register 178; am 7/1/2007, Register 182; add'l am 7/1/2007, Register 182; am 7/1/2008, Register 186; add'l am 7/1/2008, Register 186; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; add'l am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 7/1/2010, Register 194; add'l am 7/1/2010, Register 194; am 7/1/2011, Register 198; am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 1st add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; 2nd add'l am 7/1/2012, Register 202; am 7/1/2014, Register 210; add'l am 7/1/2014, Register 211; am 7/1/2015, Register 214; 7/1/2016, Register 218; am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222 ; add'l am 7 / 1 /2017, Register 222 )

**Authority:** AS 16.05.255

AS 16.05.258


# MEMORANDUM

## State of Alaska Department of Law

**To:** The Honorable Byron Mallott  
Lieutenant Governor  
(hand delivery)

**Date:** May 30, 2017

**File No.:** JU2016200590

**From:** Susan R. Pollard   
Chief Assistant Attorney General  
and Regulations Attorney  
Legislation and Regulations Section

**Re:** Board of Game Regulation re:  
February 17 - 25, 2017 Fairbanks  
Meeting: Interior/Northeast Arctic  
Region  
(5 AAC 84.270 – 5 AAC 99.025)

We have reviewed the attached regulations from the Board of Game against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. The regulations concern hunting and trapping regulations for the Interior and Northeast Arctic Region.

Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations.

The original December 3, 2016 affidavit of newspaper publication for these regulations was filed with Department of Law project file JU2016200589, Register 222 (July 2017); we have included a photocopy of that affidavit of publication.

Please note that the May 30, 2017 certification of adoption order sets out an effective date of July 1, 2017 for the regulations. Therefore, the history note following each section will need to reflect this date. This is the second of an expected three Board of Game regulations projects that will have amendments effective July 1, 2017. The publisher should pay strict attention to ensure that the changes to existing regulations are made in consecutive order so that the regulations are printed correctly in the July register.

The December 3, 2016 public notice and the May 30, 2017 certification of adoption order both state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

SRP:ljm  
cc: w/enc: (via email)

Honorable Sam Cotten, Commissioner, Dept. of Fish and Game  
Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director, Board of Game, Dept. of Fish and Game  
Frances Leach, Fishery Regulations Program Coordinator, AAC Contact, Dept. of Fish and Game  
Natalie Weber, Regulations Program Coordinator, Division of Wildlife Conservation, Dept. of Fish and Game  
Lisa Olson, Deputy Director, Division of Subsistence, Dept. of Fish and Game  
Enforcement Commander, Division of Alaska Wildlife Troopers, Dept. of Public Safety  
Cheryl Brooking, Assistant Attorney General, Natural Resources Section

STATE OF ALASKA )  
 ) ss.  
1<sup>st</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT )

**AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS**  
**AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

I, Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director of the Alaska Board of Game, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed adoption of changes dealing with the use and taking of game has been given by being

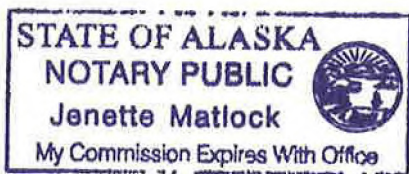
- (1) published in a newspaper or trade publication;
- (2) furnished to interested persons;
- (3) furnished to appropriate state officials;
- (4) furnished to the Department of Law, along with a copy of the proposed regulations;
- (5) electronically transmitted to incumbent State of Alaska legislators;
- (6) furnished to the Legislative Affairs Agency, Legislative Legal and Research Services;
- (7) posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System as required by AS 44.62.175(a)(1) and (b) and 44.62.190(a)(1);

As required by AS 44.62.190(dg), additional regulations notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (5) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulations notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

DATE: 5/30/17  
Juneau, Alaska

  
Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 30 day of May, 2017



Jenise Matlock  
Notary Public in and for the  
State of Alaska  
My commission expires: with office



STATE OF ALASKA )  
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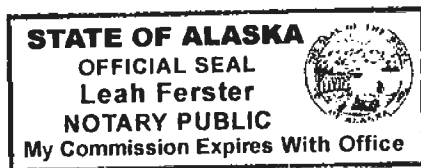
I, Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director of the Alaska Board of Game, being sworn, state the following:

On February 17-25, 2017 at Pikes Waterfront Landing, located at 1850 Hoselton Drive, Fairbanks, Alaska, the Board of Game presided over a public hearing held under AS 44.62.210 for the purpose of taking testimony in connection with the adoption of changes dealing with the use and taking of game.

DATE: May 1, 2017  
Juneau, Alaska

  
Kristy Tibbles, Executive Director

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2017.



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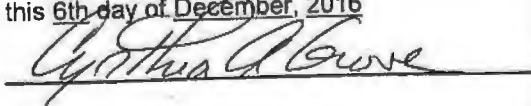
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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES



## NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Game, under the authority of Title 16, Alaska Statutes, proposes adopt, amend, or repeal regulations in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the use a taking of game. Regulations subject to board action are in 5 AAC 84, 85, 92, 98 and 99 for the Arctic, Western and Interior/Northeast Arctic Regions including statewide reauthorization of antlerless moose hunts a brown bear tag fee exemptions, and statewide regulations as described below:

For the Arctic and Western Region, Game Management Units 18, 22, 23, and 26A, and the Interior/Northeast Arctic Region Game, Management Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26B, and 26C, the following subject matter ar to be addressed are:

- A. TRAPPING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS for furbearers, including: Lynx, wolverine, black bear, and wolves.
- B. HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS for all species including: Moose, caribou, black bear, brown bear, Dall sheep, wolves, wolverine, fur animals, and small game. In addition, the potential for identifying general, Tier I or Tier II hunting for each population.
- C. LICENSES, HARVEST TICKETS, HARVEST REPORTS, TAGS, FEES, AND PERMITS including: Discretionary and required permit hunting and trapping conditions and procedures including guide-client agreements for nonresidents hunting big game; special provisions for moose, brown bear, and Dall sheep permit hunts; permits and guide requirements for hunting black bear and brown bear with the use of bait or scent lures; harvest ticket requirements for sheep and caribou; community subsistence harvest permit hunt areas; permits for hunting game with dogs; permits for harvesting moose for celebratory events; and permits for disabled veterans.
- D. METHODS AND MEANS FOR TAKING BIG GAME, GAME, FUR ANIMALS, AND FURBEARERS, including: Lawful methods of taking game, big game, and furbearers including restrictions for the use of aircraft for hunting caribou and sheep; use of crossbows, snow machines, and dogs for hunting; and same day airborne taking of wolves and coyotes.
- E. POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, AND USE OF GAME including: Salvage requirements including edible meat for game birds, and requirements for bear taken over bait.
- F. RESTRICTED AREAS including: Areas closed to hunting and trapping including the establishing of closed areas for taking wolves near Denali National Park and caribou along the Taylor Highway management areas including the Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area; permits for qualified disabled veterans and disabled active-duty military personnel in the Delta Junction Management Area; and establishing new management areas for Chena Slough and Eielson Farm Road; controlled use areas including boundaries and regulating use within the Noatak Controlled Use Area; restrictions for the use of boats in the Holitna-Hoholtna Controlled Use Area; and authorized airports in the Upper Kuskokwim Controlled Use Area.
- G. INTENSIVE MANAGEMENT AND PREDATOR CONTROL IMPLEMENTATION PLANS including: Prey populations and populations having a positive finding as identified big game prey population including the Delta caribou herd; predation control areas implementation plans including nonresident wolf tag requirements; and related findings.
- H. CUSTOMARY AND TRADITIONAL USES OF GAME POPULATIONS including: Brown bear in Unit 2; Emperor geese; and amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence uses for the Teshekpuk and Western Arctic caribou herds.
- I. ADDITIONAL TOPICS: In addition to items described above, the Board of Game will address the following topics for other units which were approved through the agenda change request process, or in the case of antlerless moose hunts and brown bear tag fees, must be authorized annually: Annual reauthorization of antlerless moose hunts and brown bear tag fee exemptions for all units statewide seasons, bag limits, and a customary and traditional use finding for Emperor geese (proposal 157 testing requirements for raptors (proposal 158); modifications to the Mulchatna caribou herd and the Unit 15C intensive management plans and objectives (proposals 155 and 156); and hunter orientation requirements for moose in Unit 15 (proposal 159). In addition, the board will consider statewide bag limits for residents and nonresident second degree of kindred relatives (proposals 19 and 49) which may be amended to apply statewide.

The board will also take action on non-regulatory items during the meetings such as resolutions, findings letters, and delegations, typically at the end of the meeting under miscellaneous business but action may occur earlier in the meeting if necessary.

The proposed regulation changes are available on the Board of Game meeting information websites at [www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo) or from the ADF&G Boards Support Section Office at (907) 465-4110. Additional information will be added to the meeting websites as it becomes available for each meeting.

You may comment on the proposed regulations including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes by submitting written comments, limited to no more than 100 single sided or 50 double sided pages, to the Alaska Board of Game, Boards Support Section at P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526. Comments can also be submitted online at [www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov](http://www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov), by fax to (907) 465-6094, or emailed to [dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov](mailto:dfg.bog.comments@alaska.gov) (PDF format only). The deadlines for receiving comments are December 22, 2016 for the Arctic & Western Region meeting, and February 3, 2017 for the Interior/Northeast Arctic Region meeting.

Submission of written comments after the deadlines are limited to ten single-sided or five double-sided pages in length from any one individual or group and will be provided to the board members at the beginning of the meetings. During the meetings, written comments from any one individual or group may be submitted by hand delivery if 20 copies are provided. Written comments that are submitted are public records and are subject to public inspection.

The Board of Game shall consider all factual, substantive, and relevant comments in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, Alaska Statutes, and the Alaska Board of Game Rules.

### TENTATIVE BOARD OF GAME MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS

**January 6-9, 2017**

February 17-25, 2017

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