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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to provide my comments on Issue WCR26-02.

I believe the current closure for non-federally qualified users should be retained. Maintaining this closure ensures that the moose harvest remains a priority for local residents, which is essential for our community's livelihood and food supply. The cost of living in Yakutat is very high, particularly for groceries, and many of us rely on the annual moose harvest for an affordable source of meat. Without this access, it would be challenging to meet our dietary needs.

Therefore, I strongly advocate that the local community of Yakutat retains the first opportunity to hunt. If the local harvest quota is not met, then it should be opened to other Alaska residents only. Modifying or rescinding this closure would significantly diminish food security for locals.

Thank you for considering my comments on this important issue.

Sincerely,
Brandt Graber