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Federal Subsistence Board Approves Special Action Request to Require a State Registration Permit to Harvest Caribou

The Federal Subsistence Board recently approved a special action request to require a State registration permit to harvest caribou under Federal hunting regulations in Units 9A, 9B, 9C, 17A, 17B, 17C, 18, 19A, and 19B; and shorten the to-be-announced season in Units 17A remainder and 17C remainder from Aug. 1–Mar. 31 to Aug.1–Mar. 15.

The approved changes will allow managers to better track caribou harvest and be more responsive to in-season management needs to prevent overharvest. Improved harvest management of the Mulchatna caribou herd will help maximize harvest opportunity for Federally qualified subsistence users. The permit requirements and season modification will also reduce regulatory complexity for all users and law enforcement officers by aligning with recent changes to State regulations. The new permit requirements will likely have minimal impact on Federally qualified subsistence users, as the process for obtaining a registration permit is similar to the previously required general harvest ticket.

State registration permits can be obtained from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, local license vendors, or online at

https://secure.wildlife.alaska.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=interperm.issue_permit_greeting.

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