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FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE SEASON FOR MOOSE CLOSED IN A PORTION OF UNIT 5A

EMERGENCY SPECIAL ACTION: FEDERAL SUBSISTENCE BOARD

Under authority of: 36 CFR §242.10 and .19
50 CFR §100.10 and .19

Emergency Special Action No: 12-MO-02-23
Issued at: Yakutat Alaska, October 15, 2023

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. Monday, October 16, 2023

EXPLANATION:

This Emergency Special Action closes the 2023 Federal subsistence moose season in that portion of Unit 5A west of the Dangerous River, except the Nunatak Bench. The closure is effective for the remainder of the season, which would otherwise close November 15, 2023. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) has established a closure for the State season (Emergency Order No. R1-12-23).

REGULATION: 36 CFR §242.26(n)(5) and 50 CFR §100.26(n)(5) are amended to read:

Unit 5 – Moose

*Unit 5A-except Nunatak Bench, west of the Dangerous River—1 bull by
joint State/Federal registration permit only. From Oct. 8 – Oct. 21,
public lands will be closed to taking of moose, except by residents of
Unit 5A hunting under these regulations*

Closed

Federal Subsistence Board by delegation to



Lee A. Benson
District Ranger
Yakutat Ranger District
October 15, 2023

JUSTIFICATION:

The quota for the 2023 moose season in Unit 5A, except Nunatak Bench, is 30 bulls east of the Dangerous River and 30 bulls west of the Dangerous River. As of October 15, there have been at least 29 bulls harvested west of the Dangerous River. In anticipation of some harvest not yet reported and other harvest potentially taking place before the closure is effective, this action is necessary to ensure that the harvest quota is not exceeded on the west side of the Dangerous River. The east side of the Dangerous River remains open until that quota is reached or the season ends.

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