

### **Federal Subsistence Board**



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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-04-20 Issued at: Yakutat, Alaska, October 11, 2020

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. Monday, October 12, 2020

#### **EXPLANATION:**

This Emergency Special Action closes the 2020 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, 2020. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) will establish a closure for the State season.

**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. 8-21, 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

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Lee A. Benson District Ranger Yakutat Ranger District October 11, 2020

#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

The quota for the 2020 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 11, there have been at least 27 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.

#### **GOVERNMENT ORANIZATIONS**

Lee Benson, USFS Yakutat District Ranger; Yakutat Tlingit Tribe; City and Borough of Yakutat; Ryan Scott, Roy Churchwell, Tom Schumacher, and Paul Converse, ADF&G Division of Wildlife Conservation, Douglas; Mark Burch, Special Projects Coordinator, and Ben Mulligan, Deputy Commissioner, ADF&G; James Capra, National Park Service; Don Hernandez, Chair, Southeast Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council; Earl Stewart, Tongass Forest Supervisor, Ketchikan; Brie Darr, USFS Sitka; Tom Doolittle, Theo Matuskowitz, Lisa Maas, George Pappas, Caron McKee, Office of Subsistence Management, Anchorage; Deyna Kuntzsch, Acting R10 Subsistence Program Leader, USFS, Juneau; Terry Suminski, Subsistence Program Leader, USFS, Sitka; DeAnna Perry, Southeast Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council Coordinator, USFS, Juneau; Michael Mills, USFS Law Enforcement Officers, Juneau; Paul Robbins Jr., Partnership and Public Affairs Staff Officer, USFS, Ketchikan; Alaska Department of Public Safety, Yakutat.