



2016-2017 Ahtna Tene Nene' C&T Community Subsistence Harvest Permit Program

- Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game (ADF&G) will administer the 2016-2017 Copper Basin Community Subsistence Harvest Permit Program for the Ahtna Group entitled (Ahtna Tene Nene' C&T Community Subsistence Hunt).
- 2016-2017 Community Subsistence Hunt applications can only be done online this year. To get online community subsistence hunt application go to www.hunt.alaska.gov, and follow directions or contact gstickwan@ahtna-inc.com to receive moose and caribou permit numbers and step by step online instructions or call (907) 822-3476.
- Deadline to apply online for Community Subsistence Hunt applications is December 15, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.
- In 2016, CSH Participants who sign up in Ahtna Tene Nene' C&T Group will make a 2 year commitment to the Ahtna Group. Members in the Ahtna Group will stay the same next year, no new members can be added or deleted.
- If the Coordinator fails to do an Annual CSH Report for moose and caribou, Ahtna Group will be disbanded. CSH hunters will still be able to hunt in Unit 13 under General Season hunt.

In 2016 CSH Head of Households' and households' members will be requested to fill out an ADFG Survey-Oriented form. This form will be mailed by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. This survey-oriented form is voluntary, Head of Households' and household members do not have to complete this form.

- CSH Participants are encouraged to fill out this Survey-Oriented Form and return it to Alaska Department of Fish and Game, this information is needed to aid the Alaska Board of Game to make decisions on subsistence hunts, C&T determinations, Amounts Necessary for Subsistence and Rural and Non-Rural Determinations, etc.
- Federally qualified subsistence hunters who sign up under the community subsistence hunt may still hunt on federal lands, in accordance with federal regulations, in Unit 11, Unit 12, and Unit 13.

- If CSH Participants do not provide a valid hunting license number on CSH moose and caribou online applications, they will have to go to ADFG office in Glennallen or Palmer and provide a valid hunting license to ADFG staff to receive moose or caribou harvest ticket/report.
- Everyone in the household 10 years of age or older must be listed on the caribou and moose application.
- Participants have the option to hunt for moose and not caribou or vice versa or both moose and caribou.
- Participants must share meat and other parts of the moose and caribou and participate in one sharing event.
- Caribou and moose meat, organs, moose hide, and moose stomach, can be dropped off at the Ahtna, Inc. Glennallen Office during businesses hours from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Beneficiaries may have a Designated Hunter but are still responsible for returning moose/caribou harvest report cards to ADF&G.
- Both beneficiaries and Designated Hunter must be signed up in the Ahtna Tene Nene' C&T Community Subsistence Harvest Permit Program.
- Designated Hunters must carry beneficiaries and his or her moose and/or caribou harvest ticket/reports while hunting in the field.
- Hunters must abide by all applicable state hunting regulations, and statute requirements including licensing, hunter education, CSH eligibility requirements, reporting requirements and hunt conditions. CSH harvest ticket numbers must appear on back of the hunter's license, CSH harvest tickets must be carried in the field while hunting, and must be validated immediately upon killing an animal and before leaving the kill site, and must remain in the hunter's possession until the animal has been delivered to the location of processing for human consumption.
- All household members agree to the hunt conditions when they complete an online CSH moose and caribou application.

Moose - Unit 11, portion of Unit 12 and Unit 13

- A member of the household can be on the Failure to Report (FTR) List and be counted as a group member, but will not be allowed to participate in the CSH hunting activities.
- **Hunters must call ADF&G – (907) 822-3461 – within 24 hours to report all moose harvest after immediately leaving the field or report online at www.hunt.alaska.gov**

- If unsuccessful in harvesting a moose, hunters must return harvest permits for moose within 15 days after the close of the season.
- No member of the household can hunt outside the CSH hunt area or apply for or hold a drawing/Tier I/Tier II/registration permit or a general moose season harvest ticket or hold federal moose permits outside of the CSH hunt area.
- After the CSH hunt has ended, unsuccessful individual household members may hold state harvest tickets or permits for areas where the bag limit is greater than one moose per person.
- No member of the household can hold any state or federal drawing/Tier I/Tier II/registration caribou permits outside Copper Basin hunt area.
- ADF&G will issue 1 General Season Antler Restriction Moose harvest ticket/report to each household member who is over the age of 10 years listed on the application; bag limit is 1 bull per person.
- Ahtna Tene Nene C&T Committee Group will be given Locking Tags for Any Bull Moose, which will be distributed to 1 per every 3 households.
- Village Councils will most likely decide who to give locking tags to, locking tag holders must be CSH participants in the Ahtna Tene Nene' C&T Group.
- The 2016 Copper Basin CSH Moose Hunt will have a **100 Any Bull Moose** quota for all Groups in the 2016 CSH Program.
- If the 100 Any Bull Moose quota is not reached in subunits of Unit 13 and Unit 11 before Any Bull Moose season ends, ADF&G will manage quotas in subunits of Unit 13 and Unit 11 to keep these units open until September 20th.
- Unit 11 and Unit 13, moose hunt (**CM300**) are allowed in Unit 11 on National Preserve Lands, and all of Unit 13 - federal and state lands.
- Call the ADF&G hotline at (907) 822-6789 to get an update on the quota for the Any Bull Moose (**CM300**) hunt.
- In Unit 11 on National Preserve Lands, moose hunting season (**CM300**) is August 10-Sept. 20 for Any Bull Moose and Bull Moose that do not meet general season antler restrictions - Spike/Fork or 50" antlers, or 3 or more brown tines on one side.
- In a portion of Unit 12, there isn't an Any Bull moose hunt; (**CM300**) moose hunting season is August 24 and August 28 and September 8-September 17 for Bull Moose that do not meet general season antler restrictions - Spike/Fork, or 50" antlers, or 4 or more brow tines on one side.

- In Unit 13, (CM300) hunting season is August 10-Sept.20 for Any Bull Moose and Bull Moose that do not meet general season antler restriction - Spike/Fork, or 50” antlers or 4 or more brown tines on one side.
- **Locking tag is not required for Bull Moose that do not meet general season antler restrictions – Spike/Fork, or 50” antlers or 3 brow tines on one side of the antlers in Unit 11 or 4 brow tines on one side of the antlers in Unit 13.**
- Alaska Department of Fish & Game will determine whether a Unit 13 Winter moose hunt will be held in 2016.
- CSH Participants may also report Unit 13 Moose harvest online at www.hunt.alaska.gov.
- Participants must bring in from the field all edible meat from the moose’s frontquarters, hindquarters, ribs, neck, and backbone, as well as the head, heart, liver, kidneys, stomach and hide and meat of the moose’s head. Frontquarters, hindquarters, and ribs must remain naturally attached to the bones until delivered to the place where it is to be processed for human consumption.

Unit 13 Nelchina Caribou

- A member of the household can be on the Failure to Report (FTR) List and be counted as a group member, but will not be allowed to participate in the hunting activities.
- All CSH Caribou household participants in the CSH Caribou hunt may not hold any state drawing, Tier I, Tier II, Registration caribou hunts, or hold general season caribou harvest tickets or hold federal caribou permits outside the CSH Hunt area. Copper Basin CSH caribou participants can apply for moose Drawing hunts in Unit 13 only.
- No member of the CSH Participant household participating in the CSH caribou hunt can hold any state or federal drawing/Tier I/Tier II/registration moose permits outside the CSH hunt area.
- Unit 13 Nelchina Caribou quota is 300, caribou season dates are August 10-September 20 and October 21-March 31.
- ADF&G will issue one Copper Basin Unit 13 CSH Nelchina caribou harvest ticket/report to each household member, the bag limit is only 1 caribou per household.
- One caribou bag limit may change to 1 Bull Caribou by Emergency Order.

- Caribou CSH permit must be mailed to the ADF&G office in Glennallen within 5 days (if successful) or 15 days (if unsuccessful) in harvesting a caribou, after the close of the caribou season.
- CSH Participants may also report Unit 13 Nelchina Caribou harvest online at www.adfg.alaska.gov.
- ADF&G will manage Unit 13 Nelchina Caribou hunt to keep hunt open until hunting season ends or 300 caribou are harvested.
- Call the ADF&G hotline at (907) 822 6789 for an update on the remaining quota of the Unit 13 Nelchina Caribou or look online at www.adfg.alaska.gov.
- A Federally Qualified Subsistence Hunter may take one caribou first with a CC001 (Unit 13 CSH caribou) harvest ticket/report, and then may also take another caribou using a federal registration permit. (BLM Field Manager may make an Announcement to change caribou to Bull Caribou only)
- All edible meat from the caribou's frontquarters, hindquarters, ribs, neck, and backbone, as well as the heart, liver, kidneys, and fat must be brought in from the field; prior to October 1, meat of the caribou's frontquarters, hindquarters, and ribs must remain naturally attached to the bones until delivered to the place where it is processed for human consumption.

Ahtna, Inc. Lands

- Hunting on Ahtna Lands is closed to Non-Shareholders. Shareholder affiliated persons can hunt with a permit provided by Ahtna, Inc. Permits are evaluated on a case by case basis. Shareholder affiliated means child or spouse of a shareholder.
- Permits to access private lands adjacent to 17B easements that are on Ahtna, Inc. lands can be purchased at the Ahtna, Inc. office in Glennallen or online at <https://permits.ahtna-inc.com/>.

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