



Information Bulletin

MOOSE POPULATION REDUCTION PROGRAM SET TO OPEN IN GROS MORNE NATIONAL PARK

ROCKY HARBOUR, NL, September 19, 2019 – The moose population reduction program in Gros Morne National Park will open on September 21, 2019, and close on January 26, 2020. There are three different hunting zones within the national park boundary with different opening dates for each zone, and a fourth zone that is closed to hunting.

- **Zone 1** opens Saturday, September 21, 2019. This zone is limited to backcountry areas greater than 2 km from park highways.
- **Zone 2** opens Saturday, October 19, 2019. This zone includes the majority of areas open to hunting and is accessible by road.
- **Zone 3** opens Saturday, November 16, 2019. This zone surrounds Killdevil Camp and areas adjacent to frequently-used park trails.
- **Zone 4** is closed to hunting.

The opening dates and location for each zone are posted at trail heads, available on Gros Morne's [website](#), and included in packages sent to each hunter. There are several significant construction projects ongoing within Gros Morne National Park and hunting is NOT permitted within 1 km of the construction zones.

The Gros Morne National Park moose management program began in 2011 as part of a broader initiative to improve forest health that was being significantly impacted from over-browsing. The park's moose population is managed in co-operation with the Wildlife Division of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, using the provincial big-game licensing system.

Visitor safety is a priority for Parks Canada. During the moose population reduction period, some hiking trails will be impacted in different areas of the park, and visitors should pay attention to signage indicating areas where hunting is taking place. Individuals planning to visit Gros Morne this fall and winter should review maps and safety information at: www.pc.gc.ca/foresthealth.

Prior to their visit, visitors may call Gros Morne National Park at 709-458-2417 for information on trails and facilities.

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