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Gros Morne Moose Harvest

The Nunatsiavut Government harvested 30 moose in Gros Morne National Park during the week of October 24. It's the tenth year for the non-profit harvest, approved by Parks Canada.

The harvest is an ongoing initiative of the Nunatsiavut Government to provide an alternate source of country food for Labrador Inuit communities, initiated following the provincial ban on harvesting George River caribou enacted in 2013.

Four Nunatsiavut Government employees travelled to Rocky Harbour, on the Northern Peninsula, and partnered with four local hunters to harvest the animals. Logistical details for the hunt are arranged in co-operation with Parks Canada staff in Rocky Harbour.

Newfoundland Helicopters was chartered to fly the hunters into remote areas of the park, where access for local residents is more difficult. This ensures that the Nunatsiavut Government harvest has a minimal impact on local hunters.

The meat from the hunt is professionally butchered and vacuum-sealed before transport to Happy Valley-Goose Bay, where it is held in cold storage for shipment to the Inuit communities. Distribution is decided by population and is provided to Inuit residing in Nain, Hopedale, Postville, Makkovik, and Rigolet, as well as to the Inuit Community Corporations in Happy Valley-Goose Bay/Mud Lake and North West River.

The Nunatsiavut Government appreciates those who supported this project again this year.