

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 01-12-13

Issued at Sitka, Alaska
23 December, 2013

Effective Date: 24 December, 2013

Expiration Date: 30 June 2014
(unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season in the following portions of hunt area RG150: (1) that portion including the north fork of the Katlian River and Coxe River drainages and, (2) that portion of the unnamed drainage west of Coxe River and north of Cedar Cove that drains into Nakwasina Sound on Baranof Island in Game Management Unit 4. This emergency order takes effect at 11:59 PM, December 24, 2013.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.040, Hunting seasons and bag limits for goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(1) ... Unit 4, that portion including the north fork of the Katlian River and Coxe River drainages and, (2) that portion of the unnamed drainage west of Coxe River and north of Cedar Cove that drains into Nakwasina Sound on Baranof Island	Aug. 1 - Dec. 24 (General hunt only)	Aug. 1 - Dec. 24

1 goat by registration permit only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited

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The remainder of Unit 4 mountain goat seasons, other than those closed by emergency order, are not affected by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell
Commissioner

By delegation to: _____
Philip W. Mooney
Sitka Area Wildlife Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Biologists have set a maximum guideline harvest objective of 4 male or 1 female goat allowed for that portion of Unit 4 (RG150) including the north fork of the Katlian River and Coxe River drainages, and (2) that portion of the unnamed drainage west of Coxe River and north of Cedar Cove that drains into Nakwasina Sound. As of Monday, December 23, 2013, 2 male goats and 1 female goat have been reported harvested. Because the female guideline harvest has been met in this area, an emergency order is being issued to close the mountain goat hunting season at 11:59 pm, Tuesday, December 24, 2013. The emergency order action is necessary to restrict the harvest to the guideline level, and to prevent overharvest in this area. Any additional harvest could have long-term negative effects on this goat population.

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