

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 02-05-22

Issued at: Soldotna, Alaska
September 29, 2022

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
September 30, 2022

Expiration Date: December 31, 2022
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This Emergency Order closes the state registration permit hunt RB300 for brown bear in Units 7 & 15.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.020(6 & 14), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Brown Bears**, are superseded by this Emergency Order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting brown bears in Units 7 & 15:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(6) ...		
Unit 7 1 bear every regulatory year by registration permit only ...	Sept. 1– Sept. 30 Jan. 1– May 31 (General hunt only)	Sept. 1– Sept. 30 Jan. 1– May 31
(14) ...		
Unit 15 1 bear every regulatory year by registration permit only ...	Sept. 1– Sept. 30 Jan. 1– May 31 (General hunt only)	Sept. 1– Sept. 30 Jan. 1– May 31

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Nicholas Fowler
Kenai Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Brown bear hunting on the Kenai Peninsula is managed under a registration permit with a maximum of 50–60 total human-caused brown bear mortalities per calendar year, of which 8–12 may be adult females on a consecutive 3-year average including the current calendar year. During the 2020, 2021, and 2022 calendar years, there were 80, 40, and 52 reported total human-caused mortalities of brown bears of which 17, 8, and 13 were identified as adult females. The 3-year average surpassed 12 adult female brown bears during a calendar year in 2022, and the 3-year average for total mortality is currently 58 bears..

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