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Upper Benzeman Mt. Goat Hunt Zone Closed

(Sitka) – Hunt managers set a harvest quota of four males or one female for the Upper Benzeman hunt zone of mountain goat hunt RG150 on Baranof Island. Quotas are based on the most recent aerial surveys. The strategy of closing hunt zones when one female has been harvested has been very effective at reducing female harvest. Keeping hunters focused on avoiding female harvest maintains opportunities for more hunters to participate, especially in hunt zones that have good access. To date, one female goat has been harvested in the Upper Benzeman hunt zone of RG150. Therefore, this zone is being closed by emergency order (EO) at 11:59 PM, Monday, December 25, 2023.

Emergency Order R1-22-23 was issued to close the mountain goat season in the Upper Benzeman Zone of RG150 on Monday, December 25, 2023 @ 11:59 PM.

Those portions of Unit 4 not affected by this emergency order will remain open until harvest quotas are reached or the season concludes.

Previous EO's are listed online at:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wcnews.main>

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