

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 02-07-15

Issued at Cordova, Alaska
October 7, 2015

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
October 8, 2015

Expiration Date: June 30, 2016
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for mountain goat in registration permit hunt area RG231, which includes that portion of Unit 6C east of Scott Glacier and the main channel of Scott River, north of the Copper River Highway, and west of Sheridan Glacier and the main channel of Glacier River.

REGULATION:

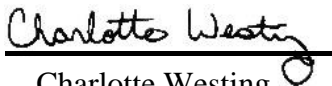
Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040(a)(2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order and the following provisions are effective:

| Units and Bag Limits | Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts) | Nonresident Open Season |
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| (2) Unit 6(C), Hunt RG231: specifically, that portion of Unit 6(C) east of Scott Glacier and the main channel of Scott River, and west of Sheridan Glacier and the main channel of Glacier River. | Oct. 7 – Oct 8 | Oct. 7– Oct 8 |

1 goat by registration permit only.

All other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten
Commissioner



By delegation to: Charlotte Westing
Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The most recent aerial surveys found 121 goats within the mountain goat hunt area RG231. The Department set the maximum allowable harvest at 6 goat units. Each billy counts as one goat unit and each nanny counts as two goat units. The current harvest is 2 nannies and one kid, for a total of 5.5 goat units and additional hunters are currently in the field. In order to prevent over-harvest, RG231 will be closed on October 8, 2015 at 11:59 pm.

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