

# Hunting and Trapping

## Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department  
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-8-23

Issued at Kodiak, Alaska  
September 29, 2023

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.  
October 1, 2023

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2024  
unless superseded by  
subsequent emergency order

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for caribou in the registration permit hunt RC080 (Unit 8) at 11:59 p.m., October 1, 2023.

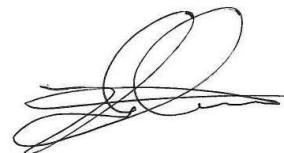
### REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.025 (a) (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for caribou**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
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Unit 8 1 caribou	Aug. 1 — Oct. 1	Aug. 1 — Oct. 1
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Doug Vincent-Lang  
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Nathan Svoboda  
Kodiak Area Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:**

This emergency order closes the caribou hunting season by registration permit RC080 on Kodiak Island. This registration hunt will close at 11:59 p.m. on October 1, 2023. The most recent aerial surveys found a minimum count of 195 caribou in the RC080 registration hunt area. The Department set the maximum allowable harvest at 10 bull caribou. The current reported harvest is 9. Multiple hunters currently remain in the field and it is likely additional caribou have been taken and not yet reported. Harvest that exceeds objectives may impede herd productivity and growth and could lead to reduced future hunting opportunity.

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