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Green Lake Drainage Closed to Mountain Goat Hunting

Biologists have set a maximum guideline harvest objective of 4 males and/or 1 female mountain goat allowed for the Green Lake-Vodopad River drainage portion of the Unit 4 registration goat hunt (RG150). High harvests of female goats in this area in previous years has prompted this conservative harvest strategy. As of Monday morning, September 26, 2011, one female goat has been harvested. Because the 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, Wednesday, September 28, 2011. 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.

An Emergency Order (01-06-11) was issued to close the mountain goat season in this area on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 @ 11:59 pm.

All other Unit 4 mountain goat regulations remain unchanged and are not affected by this Emergency Order. For additional information, please contact the Sitka Area Wildlife Office at (907) 747-5449.

