

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 02-12-14

Issued at Soldotna, Alaska
October 20, 2014

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
October 21, 2014

Expiration Date: June 30, 2015
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for brown bear registration permit hunt RB300 for the remainder of the fall season in Kenai Peninsula Game Management Units 7 and 15.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.020 (6) and (14), Hunting seasons and bag limits for brown bear**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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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| (6) Unit 7 | Sept. 1-Oct. 21 Jan. 1-May. 31 | Sept. 1-Oct. 21 Jan. 1-May. 31 |
| 1 bear every regulatory year by registration permit only | | |
| (14) Unit 15 | Sept. 1-Oct. 21 Jan. 1-May. 31 | Sept. 1-Oct. 21 Jan. 1-May. 31 |

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All other brown bear hunting regulations for other Units listed under 5 AAC 85.020 are not affected by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell
Commissioner

By delegation to: Jeff Selinger
Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Kenai Peninsula brown bear hunt (RB300) in Game Management Units 7 and 15 will close by emergency order at 11:59 p.m., October 21, 2014. The 2014 Peninsula-wide management objective is not to exceed 70 human-caused brown bear mortalities, including no more than 17 adult sows. Currently, the total reported number of human-caused mortalities for 2014 is 67 bears, including seven adult sows.

Human-caused brown bear mortalities unrelated to hunting – including road kills, bears killed in defense of life or property, and animals taken illegally– historically occur on the Peninsula through October and, to a lesser extent, into November. The hunting season is being closed to avoid exceeding the management objective.

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