

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 02-06-15

Issued at Cordova, Alaska
October 5, 2015

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
October 6, 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unless superseded by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 RG249, which includes lands east of the Columbia Glacier, north of Valdez Arm and west of Port Valdez, Shoup Bay and Shoup Glacier in Game Management Unit 6(D). Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other portions of Game Management Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040 (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

	Resident Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
Units and Bag Limits		
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Unit 6(D), Hunt RG249: specifically, that portion east of Columbia Glacier, north of Valdez Arm and west of Port Valdez, Shoup Bay and Shoup Glacier.	Sept. 15-Oct. 6	Sept. 15-Oct. 6

1 goat by registration permit only;
the taking of nannies with kids is
prohibited

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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:

Aerial surveys conducted last season resulted in a minimum count of 381 goats within the mountain goat hunt area RG249. The Department increased the maximum allowable state harvest to 15 goat units and an additional quota of 4 goat units for federal subsistence hunters (19 goat units total). Each billy counts as one goat unit, each nanny counts as two goat units, and each unrecovered goat counts as 1.5 goat units. The current harvest is 10 billies and 2 nannies, and 1 unrecovered goat totaling 15.5 goat units, and additional hunters are currently in the field. In order to prevent over-harvest, RG249 will be closed on 6 October 2015 at 11:59 pm.

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