

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-14-16

Issued at Kodiak, Alaska
October 26, 2016

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
October 31, 2016

Expiration Date: June 30, 2017
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident hunting season for mountain goats in registration hunt areas RG472 (Crown Mountain), RG473 (Hidden Basin-East Terror Lake), and RG474 (Uganik River) areas of Kodiak Island, at 11:59 p.m., October 31, 2016. These registration hunt areas are located within Game Management Unit 8. This emergency order does not affect the goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Game Management Unit 8.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.040 (a) (4), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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
(4)		
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Unit 8, Kodiak Island hunt RG 472 (Crown Mountain); specifically that portion between Wild Creek and Hidden Basin Creek, and hunt RG473 (Hidden Basin-East Terror Lake); specifically that portion east of Terror Bay/River to Kizhuyak Bay/Creek, and hunt RG474 (Uganik River); specifically that portion west of Terror Bay/River to Spiridon Bay/River;		

1 goat by registration permit only

No open season
(General Hunt Only)

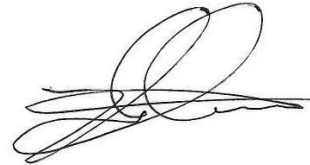
No open season

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All other goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Game Management Unit 8 are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten
Commissioner

by delegation to:



Nathan J. Svoboda
Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident hunting season for mountain goats in Kodiak Island registration permit hunts RG472 (Crown Mountain), RG473 (Hidden Basin-East Terror Lake), and RG474 (Uganik River). The department estimated a herd size of 33 goats in the Crown Mountain area; as of 25 October 2016, two goats were reported harvested out of a target harvest level of two goats. Biologists estimated a herd size of 44 goats in the Hidden Basin-East Terror Lake area; as of 25 October 2016, four goats were reported harvested out of a target harvest level of two goats. A herd size of 230 goats was estimated in the Uganik River area; as of 25 October 2016, 21 goats were reported harvested out of a target harvest level of 23 goats.

Registration goat hunts are utilized to meet predetermined harvest quotas for each hunt area and harvest quotas for these areas have been reached. Any additional harvest that may occur during a registration hunt would be excessive and could jeopardize future harvest quotas of these herds. Therefore, no registration hunts will occur in these areas this year.

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