# Hunting and Trapping

# **Emergency Order**

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-18-23

Issued at Kodiak, Alaska November 7, 2023

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.

November 9, 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**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2024 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order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 elk in registration permit hunt area RE755 in all portions of Afognak, Kodiak, and adjacent islands at 11:59 p.m., November 9, 2023. Elk hunting on Raspberry Island is not affected by this closure.

# **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.035** (a) (2), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Elk**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

**Units and Bag Limits** 

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Unit 8, Eastern Afognak, that Portion of Afognak Island east of the main north-south logging road (1100 road) from the Danger Bay logging camp at 58° 08.2' N. lat., 152° 32.9' W. long., North to its terminus at Discoverer Bay at 58° 19.6' N. lat., 152° 21.8' W. long. and adjacent islands west of Marmot Strait

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#### **November 7, 2023**

1 elk by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits may be issued	Sept. 25—Oct. 22 (General hunt only)	Sept. 25—Oct. 22
1 elk by registration permit only	Oct. 23—Nov. 9 (General Hunt Only)	Oct. 23—Nov. 9
Remainder of Unit 8		
1 elk by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits may be issued	Sept. 25—Oct. 22 (General hunt only)	Sept. 25—Oct. 22
1 elk by registration permit only	Oct. 23—Nov. 9 (General Hunt Only)	Oct. 23—Nov. 9

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Nathan Svoboda Kodiak Area Biologist

## **JUSTIFICATION:**

This emergency order closes the elk hunting season in registration permit hunt area RE755 in all portions of Afognak, Kodiak, and adjacent islands. This emergency order is in addition to emergency orders R2-17-23 and R2-14-23 issued previously to close portions of the RE755 hunt area. Elk in Unit 8 are managed using established harvest guidelines for individual herds and a 10 percent harvest objective for the overall elk population. As of November 7, hunters have reported a harvest of 104 elk. This closure is necessary to prevent harvest beyond established harvest objectives, which may impede herd productivity and growth.

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