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# GOAT HUNTING WILL BE CLOSING IN THAT AREA BETWEEN THE EAST FORK OF THE SKAGWAY RIVER AND KASIDAYA CREEK

(Juneau) –The guideline harvest for mountain goats has been reached in a portion of the RG024 mountain goat hunt near Skagway, Alaska. An emergency order (01-04-15) has been issued to close the mountain goat hunting season in the area bounded by the East Fork of the Skagway River on the north side, Kasidaya Creek on the south side, Taiya Inlet, and the White Pass and Yukon Railroad on the west, and the Canadian border on the east at **11:59 P.M., on Thursday, September 24, 2015.**

A guideline harvest objective of 1-2 points (male goats=1 point, female goats=2 points) was established by ADF&G for the area described above. As of Wednesday, September 23, 2015 two male goats have been harvested for a total of 2 points. Due to the vulnerability of goats in this area and the likelihood of additional harvest an emergency order has been issued.

Those portions of Unit 1D not affected by this emergency order, and not previously closed by emergency order, will remain open until the harvest guidelines are reached or the seasons come to their scheduled conclusions. Please consult your Alaska Hunting Regulations for descriptions of hunt areas, boundaries, and season dates. For additional information concerning mountain goat hunting in Game Management Unit 1D contact the Alaska Department of Fish and Game at (907) 465-4329 or (907) 465-4265.

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