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Nakwasina River Drainage Closed to Mountain Goat Hunting

Biologists have set a maximum guideline harvest objective of 5 males or 1 female goat allowed for the Nakwasina River Drainage portion of the Unit 4 registration goat hunt (RG150). As of Monday morning, August 8, 2011, one female goat has been reported harvested. Because the guideline harvest has been met in this area, an emergency order is being issued to close the mountain goat hunting season at 11:59 pm, Wednesday, August 10, 2011. The emergency order action is necessary to restrict the harvest to the guideline level, and to prevent overharvest in this area. Any

additional harvest could have long term negative effects on this goat population.

An Emergency Order (01-03-11) was issued to close the mountain goat season in this area on Wednesday, August 10, 2011 @ 11:59 pm.

All other Unit 4 mountain goat regulations remain unchanged and are not affected by this Emergency Order. For additional information, please contact the Sitka Area Wildlife Office at (907) 747-5449.

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