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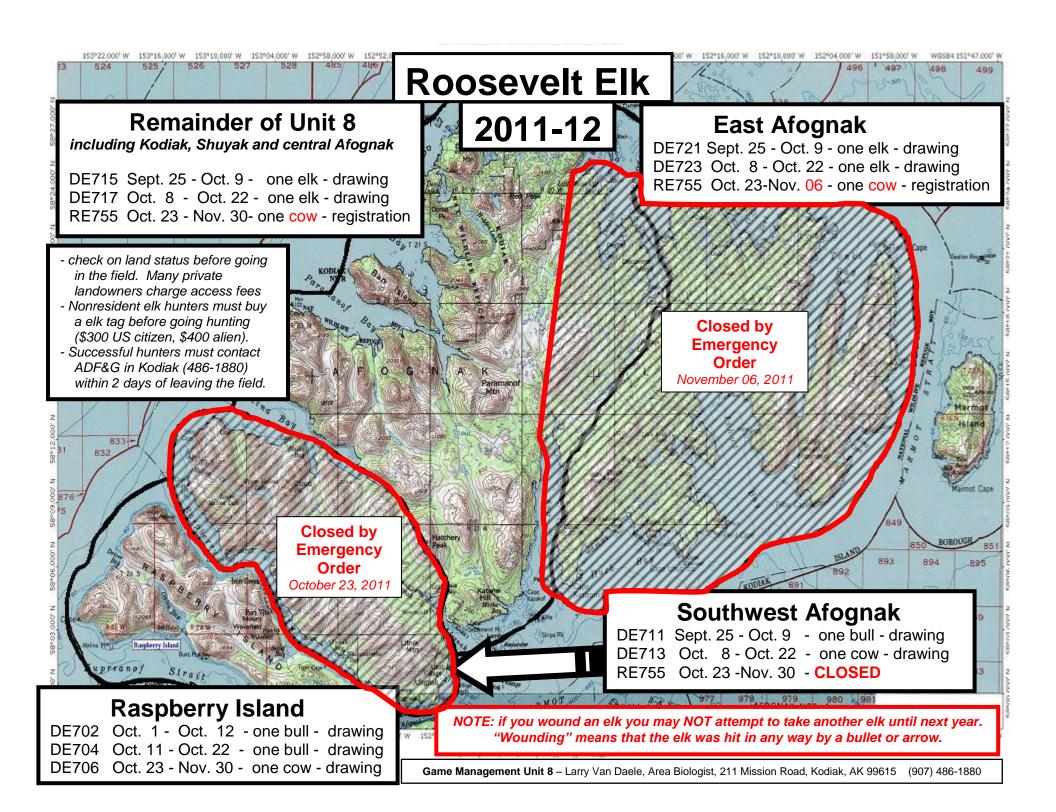
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Eastern Afognak Island Elk Registration Hunt Closes

Hunting for elk on the east side of Afognak Island will be closed after Sunday, November 06, 2011 because the harvest targets for the herds in this area have been met. The closed area will be east of a line from the west head of Kazakof (Danger) Bay (58° 12.2' N, 152° 35.8' W) to the head of Big Waterfall Bay (58° 24.6' N, 152° 32.3' W). This closure follows an earlier Emergency Order closing the southwestern part of Afognak. Hunters with registration permits can still hunt for antlerless elk on all remaining parts of Afognak, Shuyak and Kodiak, and hunters with drawing permits may still pursue elk on Raspberry Island. Detailed maps are available at the ADF&G office in Kodiak.

This latest Emergency Order closes the elk hunting season on the eastern Afognak Island portion of registration permit hunt RE755 that encompasses the range of the Portage Lakes, Duck Mountain, Seal-Saposa, and Tonki herds. These herds include about 280 elk, and have been relatively stable in size in recent years. To maintain their stability we set a harvest target of 28 elk. As of 03 November 2011 the reported harvest was 22 elk. We anticipate we will reach the harvest target by the time of this closure and that any additional harvest would be excessive and may jeopardize the future productivity of the herds.



ELK DRAWING HUNTS - 2011-12 - applications available in November and the application deadline is December 31

Game	Hunt	Number				Reporting	Additional Requirements
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Management	#	_	Season	Legal	Required	Requirements	and
Unit, Area		Permits	Dates	Elk	Roquirou	If Successful	Information
8, Raspberry	DE702	8	Oct. 1 – Oct. 12	Bull	None	In person or by phone to Kodiak within 2 days of completion of hunt, and permit report within 5 days	Hunt Area: that portion of Unit 8 on Raspberry
	DE704	8	Oct. 11 – Oct. 22	Bull			Island. Access to this elk herd is by floatplane or boat. Best access points are Onion Bay and
	DE706	20	Oct. 23 – Nov. 30	Cow			Raspberry Straits.
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	DE711	10	Sept. 25 – Oct. 9	Bull			Hunt Area: that portion of Afognak Island and adjacent islands south and west of a line from the head of Back Bay (58° 05.3' N, 152° 45.7' W) to Hatchery Peak (58° 07.2' N, 152° 47.5' W), to the head of Malina Bay (58° 09.3' N, 152° 51.0' W). Much of the land is privately owned and subject to access fees. Land status maps and address of land owners are available at ADF&G offices in Kodiak, Anchorage, Soldotna, Homer and Fairbanks.
8, Southwest Afognak	DE713	75	Oct. 8 – Oct. 22	Cow			
	DE704	0.5	0 05 0 0				High Areas that parties of Manual Island, and of
	DE721	35	Sept. 25 – Oct. 9	Either Sex			Hunt Area: that portion of Afognak Island east of the main north-south logging road (1100 road) from
8, East Afognak	DE723	35	Oct. 8 – Oct. 22				the Danger Bay logging camp (58° 08.2' N, 152°32.9' W) north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay (58° 19.6' N, 152°21.8' W);) and adjacent islands west of Marmot Strait. Much of the land is privately owned and subject to access fees. Land status maps and address of land owners are available at ADF&G offices or on the web at: www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=accessbrochures.afognak
	DEZAE	25	Comt OF Oat O				Hunt Area: remainder of Unit 8. Much of the land
8, Remainder	DE715	35	Sept. 25 – Oct. 9	Either Sex			is privately owned and subject to access fees. Land
	DE717	35	Oct. 8 – Oct. 22				status maps and address of land owners are available at ADF&G or on the web.

REGISTRATION HUNT – 2011-12 – permits are available in person at ADF&G offices in Kodiak, Anchorage, Soldotna, Homer and Fairbanks

Game Management Unit, Area	Hunt #	Season Dates	Legal Elk	Permits Available in person at:	Additional Requirements and Information
8, Afognak, Kodiak and Shuyak Islands (except east and southwest Afognak)	RE755	Oct. 23 – Nov. 30 Portions of all registration hunts may be closed earlier by Emergency Order	Cow	Kodiak, Anchorage, Soldotna, Fairbanks, and Homer beginning Oct. 4	Hunt Area: all of Unit 8 except Raspberry Island. Portions of the hunt area may not open or may be closed early by Emergency Order if harvest meets or exceeds target harvest levels for individual herds. Contact the ADF&G office in Anchorage or Kodiak prior to going afield to obtain current information. Much of the land is privately owned and subject to access fees. Land status maps and address of land owners are available at ADF&G offices in Kodiak, Anchorage, Soldotna, Homer and Fairbanks.