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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Mt. Furuhelm - Mt. Ada Zone Closed to Mountain Goat Hunting

Biologists have set a maximum guideline harvest objective of 7 males or 1 female goat allowed for the Mt. Furuhelm – Mt. Ada Zone portion of the Unit 4 registration goat hunt (RG150). High harvests of female goats in this area in previous years have prompted this harvest strategy. As of Thursday, December 8, 2011, one female goat and 3 male goats have been harvested. Because the female 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, December 14, 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 (01-20-11)
was issued to close the mountain
goat season in this area on
Wednesday, December 14, 2011 @
11:59 pm.

RG150 - Mountain Goat Mt. Furuhelm - Mt. Ada Zone CLOSED TO ALL GOAT HUNTING



Unit 4, Baranof Island:

Mt. Furuhelm/Mt. Ada Zone - Harvest guidelines met or exceeded. CLOSED TO ALL GOAT HARVEST.



Unless previously closed be Emergency

Order, all other Unit 4 mountain goat regulations remain unchanged and are not affected by this Emergency Order (01-20-11). For additional information, please contact the Sitka Area Wildlife Office at (907) 747-5449.