# HUNTING-TRAPPING Emergency Order ALASKA DEPARTMENT

# OF FISH AND GAME

## Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-04-12

Effective Date: September 20, 2012

Issued at Douglas, Alaska September 19, 2012

Expiration Date: 30 June 2013 (unless superseded by a subsequent emergency order)

#### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident goat hunting seasons on the East Fork of the Skagway River and Kasidaya Creek on the east side of Lynn Canal just east of Skagway, Alaska in Game Management Unit 1(D). This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Thursday, September 20, 2012.

#### REGULATORY TEXT:

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goat in Unit 1(D):

|   | Resident<br>Open Season<br>(Subsistence and | Nonresident       |
|---|---|-------------------|
| Unit and Bag Limit  | General Hunts)                              | Open Season       |
| (1)   |   |                   |
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| Unit 1(D), that portion south of the<br>East Fork of the Skagway River, to the north<br>side of the Kasidaya Creek on the east side of<br>Lynn Canal east of Skagway. | Sept. 15–Sept. 20<br>(General hunt only)    | Sept. 15–Sept. 20 |
| 1 goat by registration permit only.   |   |                   |

The remainder of Unit 1D mountain goat seasons, other than those previously closed by emergency order, are not affected by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

Stephanie Sell Asst. Area Management Biologist Emergency Order No. 01-04-12

## JUSTIFICATION:

A guideline harvest objective of 1-2 points (male goats=1 point, female goats=2 points) were established by ADF&G for the portion of the Unit 1D between the East Fork of the Skagway River south to the Kasidaya Creek on the east side of Lynn Canal east of Skagway. As of Tuesday, September 18, 2012 two male goats have been taken in the area for a total of 2 points. Based on aerial survey data and the vulnerability of goats in this area the department has established a 1-2 point guideline harvest for mountain goats in this area. Because the guideline harvest level has been reached an emergency order has been issued to close the mountain goat hunting season in the area described above at 11:59 pm on Thursday, September 20, 2012. 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.

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