# Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Depart

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 01-06-12

Effective Date: 04 October, 2012

Issued at Sitka, Alaska 03 October, 2012

**Expiration Date:** 30 June 2013 (unless superseded by subsequent emergency order)

### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season in the following portions of hunt area RG150; (1) that portion including the Nakwasina River drainages on Baranof Island in Game Management Unit 4. This emergency order takes effect at 11:59 PM, October 04, 2012.

### **<u>REGULATION</u>**:

Therefore, the provisions of **5** AAC **85.040**, **Hunting seasons and bag limits for goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits Open Season	Resident Open Season	Nonresident
	(Subsistence and General Hunts)	Open Season

## (1)

Unit 4, that portion including the Nakwasina River drainages on Baranof Island.

Aug. 1-Oct. 4 (General hunt only) Aug. 1-Oct. 4

1 goat by registration permit only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited.

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All other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 4, other than areas previously closed by emergency order, are not affected by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:\_\_\_\_\_ Philip W. Mooney Sitka Area Wildlife Management Biologist

#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

Biologists have set a maximum guideline harvest objective of 5 male goats and/or 1 female goat allowed for that portion of Unit 4 (RG150) including the Nakwasina River drainages on Baranof Island. As of Tuesday, October 2, 2012, the reported harvest is 8 male goats and 1 female goat. 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, Thursday, October 4, 2012.

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.

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