# Hunting and Trapping

# **Emergency Order**

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-03-13

Issued at Cordova, Alaska September 20, 2013

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.

September 21, 2013

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2014 unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order

## **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for mountain goat in registration permit hunt area RG249, which includes lands east of the Columbia Glacier, north of Valdez Arm and west of Port Valdez, Shoup Bay and Shoup Glacier in Game Management Unit 6(D). Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other portions of Game Management Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

## **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040** (2), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

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Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 6(D), Hunt RG249: specifically, that portion east of Columbia Glacier, north of Valdez Arm and west of Port Valdez, Shoup Bay and Shoup Glacier.

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 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

Charlotte Westing Area Wildlife Biologist

#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

The most recent aerial surveys resulted in a minimum count of 270 goats within the mountain goat hunt area RG249. The Department set the maximum allowable state harvest at 9 goat units and an additional quota of 4 goat units for federal subsistence hunters (13 goat units total). Each billy counts as one goat unit and each nanny counts as two goat units. The current harvest is 4 billies and 2 nannies, totaling 8 goat units, and additional hunters are currently in the field In order to prevent over-harvest, RG249 will be closed on 21 September 2013 at 11:59 pm.

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