Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Department

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-08-14

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. October 8, 2014

Issued at: Anchorage, Alaska October 7, 2014

Expiration Date: June 30, 2015 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state registration permit hunt RG869 for mountain goats in Unit 14(C). All other goat hunting seasons in Unit 14 are unaffected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.040(7), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goats, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goats:

Units and Bag Limits

Resident **Open Season** (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident **Open Season**

(7)

Remainder of Unit 14(C), hunt RG869, that portion within the drainages of Knik River upstream from, but not including, Big Timber Creek drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goat by registration permit only; however, goats may be taken from Aug. 16 through Aug. 31 by bow and arrow only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited.

Aug. 16-Oct. 8 (General hunt only)

All other goat hunting regulations in Unit 14 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Cora Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

Jessy Coltrane Anchorage Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Goat surveys were conducted in the Lake George area in summer 2013 with 415 goats counted. To ensure meeting the population objective of at least 500 goats in Unit 14C that will sustain an annual harvest of 25 goats, comprising at least 60% males, harvest from this area should not exceed 20 goat units. The Lake George area is managed with separate registration hunts for resident and nonresident hunters. Thirteen of the total goat units are allotted for residents holding permit RG869. Total goat units are calculated using one unit for billies and two units for nannies. Currently, there have been 12 goat units (2 nannies and 8 billies) harvested by resident hunters from the Lake George drainage, and there are hunters currently in the field. To ensure that the quota for RG869 is not exceeded, this hunt will close at 11:59 pm on 8 October 2014.

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