Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-19-14

Issued at Cordova, Alaska December 19, 2014

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

December 20, 2014

Expiration Date: June 30, 2015 unless superseded by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 RG266, including mainland drainages south of Icy Bay, Tiger Glacier and Sargent Icefield, east of Cape Fairfield, and west of Port Bainbridge and Bainbridge Passage of Game Management Unit 6(D). Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other areas of Unit 6D 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040 (2)**, **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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 RG266: specifically, including mainland drainages south of Icy Bay, Tiger Glacier and Sargent Icefield, east of Cape Fairfield, and west of Port Bainbridge and Bainbridge Passage

1 goat by registration permit only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited Sept. 15-Dec. 20

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All other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten Acting Commissioner

By delegation to:

Charlotte Westing Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The most recent aerial surveys resulted in a minimum count of 291 goats within the mountain goat hunt area RG266. The Department set the maximum allowable state harvest at 10 goat units. Each billy counts as one goat unit and each nanny counts as two goat units. The current harvest is 6 billies and 2 nannies, totaling 10 goat units, and additional hunters are currently in the field. In order to prevent over-harvest, RG266 will be closed on 20 December 2014 at 11:59 pm.

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