HUNTING-TRAPPING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-16-15 Issued at Douglas, Alaska

October 30, 2015

Effective Date: October 31, 2015 Expiration Date: 30 June 2016

(unless superseded by a subsequent

emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident goat hunting seasons in the archery only area of RG024 between the Taiya Inlet and River and the White Pass and Yukon Railroad to the Canadian border. This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Saturday, October 31, 2015.

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Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goat in Unit 1(D):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 | |
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| | Open Season | |
| | (Subsistence and | Nonresident |
| Unit and Bag Limit | General Hunts) | Open Season |
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Unit 1(D), the archery only area between the Taiya Inlet and River and the White Pass and Yukon Railroad to the Canadian border.

Sept. 15–Oct 31 (General hunt only)

Sept. 15-Oct 31

1 goat by registration permit only, and by bow and arrow only.

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

Sam Cotten Commissioner

By delegation to:

Carl H. Koch

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Assist. Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

An aerial survey conducted on September 7, 2015 resulted in a low goat count; a total of 12 adults and 6 kids were observed. A combined guideline harvest objective of 1-2 points (male goat = 1 point & female goat = 2 points) was established for the archery only area of RG024 between the Taiya Inlet and River and the White Pass and Yukon Railroad to the Canadian border. As of Friday, October 30, 2015 one female goat has been harvested in this area for a total of 2 points. Due to the vulnerability of goats in this area based on the recent aerial survey, and because the guideline harvest level has been met, an emergency order (01-16-15) is being issued to close the goat hunting season in this area at 11:59 pm on Saturday, October 31, 2015.

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