# Hunting and Trapping

## Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-05-15

Issued at Cordova, Alaska October 05, 2015

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

October 06, 2015

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2016 unless superseded by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 RG252, including areas east of Unakwik Inlet and Meares Glacier, west of the Columbia Glacier, and south of the Second Branch Columbia Glacier in Game Management unit 6D. 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040 (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

#### Resident

Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 6(D), Hunt RG252: specifically, that portion east of Unakwik Inlet and Meares Glacier, west of the Columbia Glacier, and south of the Second Branch Columbia Glacier.

1 goat by registration permit only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited Sept. 15-Oct. 06

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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 310 goats within the mountain goat hunt area RG252. The Department set the maximum allowable state harvest at 16 goat units and an additional quota of 1 goat unit for federal subsistence hunters (17 goat units total). Each billy counts as one goat unit and each nanny counts as two goat units. The current harvest is 13 billies and 2 nannies, totaling 17 goat units, and additional hunters are currently in the field. In order to prevent over-harvest, RG252 will be closed on 06 October 2015 at 11:59 pm.

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