# **HUNTING-TRAPPING**

## **Emergency Order**

### ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

**Under Authority of AS 16.05.060** 

Emergency Order No. 01-17-16 Issued at Douglas, Alaska

October 11, 2016

Effective Date: October 12, 2016 Expiration Date: 30 June 2017

(unless superseded by a subsequent

emergency order)

#### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident goat hunting seasons in the area bounded on the east side by the Chilkat River, the Kelsall River on the north, the Klehini River on the south and the Canadian border on the west side in Game Management Unit 1(D). This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Wednesday, October 12, 2016.

#### **REGULATORY TEXT:**

Unit and Bag Limit

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goat in Unit 1(D):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	
Open Season	
(Subsistence and	Nonresident
General Hunts)	Open Season

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Unit 1(D), the area bounded by the Chilkat River on the east, the Kelsall River on the north, the Klehini River on the south, and the Canadian border on the west.

Sept. 15–Oct. 12 (General hunt only)

Sept. 15-Oct. 12

1 goat by registration permit 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: Cal How

Carl H. Koch

Asst. Area Management Biologist

#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

The guideline harvest for mountain goats has been reached in a portion of the RG026 mountain goat hunt area. This emergency order (01-17-16) closes the mountain goat hunting season in the area bounded by the Chilkat River on the east, the Kelsall River on the north, the Klehini River on the south, and the Canadian border on the west side at 11:59 P.M., on Wednesday, October 12, 2016.

Based on the fall 2015 aerial survey (42 adults, 11 kids), a guideline harvest objective of 3 points (male goats=1 point, female goats= 2points) was established by ADF&G for the area described above. During a subsequent survey on October 2, 2016, 33 adults and 13 kids were observed. As of Tuesday October 11, 2016 one female and 1 male goat have been harvested for a total of 3 points. Because the guideline harvest level has been reached, this emergency order is being issued to close the mountain goat hunting season in this area.

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