HUNTING-TRAPPING Emergency Order ALASKA DEPARTMENT

OF FISH AND GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-22-16

Effective Date: November 2, 2016.

Issued at Douglas, Alaska November 1, 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Expiration Date: 30 June 2017 (unless superseded by a subsequent emergency order)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 that portion of unit 1D bordered by the Takhin River on the south, the Tsirku Rivers on west and the north, and the Chilkat River on the east. This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Wednesday, November 2, 2016.

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Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goat in Unit 1(D):

Aug. 1–Nov. 2

1 goat by registration permit only.

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 Hoch

Carl Koch Assistant Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The guideline harvest level for mountain goats has been met in that portion of unit 1D bordered by the Takhin River on the south, the Tsirku River on the west and the north, and the Chilkat River on the east. This emergency order (01-22-16) is being issued to close the goat hunting season in this area at **11:59 pm on Wednesday, November 2, 2016**. Based on aerial survey information from September 24, 2015 (98 adults, 24 kids), a combined guideline harvest objective of 5 points (male goat = 1 point & female goat = 2 points) was established for the hunt area bordered by Takhin River on the south, the Tsirku Rivers on west and the north, and the Chilkat River on the east. As of Tuesday, November 1, 2016, 2 female goats and 1 male goat have been harvested in this area for a total of 5 points. Because the guideline harvest level has been reached, this emergency order (01-22-16) is being issued effective at 11:59 pm, Wednesday, November 2, 2016.

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