# **HUNTING-TRAPPING**

### **Emergency Order**

## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

**Under Authority of AS 16.05.060** 

Emergency Order No. 01-24-16 Issued at Douglas, Alaska

November 22, 2016

Effective Date: November 23, 2016 Expiration Date: 30 June 2017

(unless superseded by a subsequent

emergency order)

#### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting seasons in the Tohitka Mountain and Mount Raymond portion of the RG026 hunt area bounded on the east side by the Chilkat River, the Canadian border on the north, and the Kelsall River on the south and west sides in Game Management Unit 1(D). This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Wednesday, November 23, 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Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goat in Unit 1(D):

Resident	
Open Season	
(Subsistence and	Nonresident
General Hunts)	Open Season
	(Subsistence and

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

Sept. 15–Nov. 23 (General hunt only)

Sept. 15-Nov. 23

1 goat by registration permit only, the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited

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 H Houl

Carl H. Koch

Asst. Area Management Biologist

#### JUSTIFICATION:

The guideline harvest for mountain goats has been met in the Tohitka Mountain and Mount Raymond portion of the RG026 mountain goat hunt area. This emergency order is being issued to close the mountain goat hunting season in this area at 11:59 pm on Wednesday, November 23, 2016.

Based on a fall 2013 aerial survey (88 adults, 25 kids), ADF&G established a 2016 guideline harvest objective of 6 points (male goats=1 point, female goats=2 points) for this area. During a subsequent aerial survey on October 2nd, 2016, 51 adults and 9 kids were observed. As of Tuesday November 22, 2016 two females and three males had been reported harvested for a total of 7 points. This emergency order is being issued because the guideline harvest level has been met.

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