Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Department

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 2-03-16

Issued at: Anchorage, Alaska August 25, 2016

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

August 26, 2016

Expiration Date: June 30, 2017 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order establishes the season for state registration permit hunt RG882 for mountain goats in Unit 14(C) as September 1-3, 2016. All other goat hunting seasons in Unit 14 are unaffected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.040(7), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goats**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goats:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and Seneral Hunts)

Nonresident
Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

(7)

Remainder of Unit 14(C), that portion within the drainages of Knik River upstream from, but not including, Big Timber Creek drainage

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NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Aug. 16-Aug. 31

1 goat by registration permit only, and by bow and arrow only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited; or

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

Sept. 1- Sept. 3

All other goat hunting regulations in Unit 14 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

	Sam Cotten Commissioner
By delegation to:	
	David Battle
	Anchorage Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Goat surveys were conducted in the Lake George area in summer 2016 with 315 goats counted. The department's area management objectives provide for a sustainable annual harvest of 6 percent comprised of at least 60 percent billies. To maintain that goal, the Lake George registration hunt area has been assigned a maximum allowable harvest of 18 "goat units." Total goat units are calculated using one unit for billies and two for nannies. The Lake George area is managed with separate registration hunts for resident and nonresident hunters. Twelve of the total goat units are allotted for residents holding permit RG869 and six goat units are allotted for nonresidents holding permit RG882. To minimize the likelihood that the maximum allowable harvest for RG882 is exceeded, this hunt will close at 11:59 p.m. on September 3, 2016.

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