Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-10-16

Issued at Cordova, Alaska October 7, 2016

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

October 8, 2016

Expiration Date: June 30, 2017 unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state resident and nonresident hunting season for mountain goat in registration permit hunt area RG249, which includes lands east of the Columbia Glacier, north of Valdez Arm and west of Port Valdez, Shoup Bay and Shoup Glacier in Game Management Unit 6(D). Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other portions of Game Management Unit 6 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040 (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

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Open Season (Subsistence

General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 6(D), Hunt RG249: specifically, that portion east of Columbia Glacier, north of Valdez Arm and west of Port Valdez, Shoup Bay and Shoup Glacier.

Sept. 15-Oct. 8

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

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All other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten Commissioner

By delegation to:

Charlotte Westing Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The last aerial survey of this area resulted in a minimum count of 381 goats. The maximum allowable state harvest is 15 goat units with an additional quota of 4 goat units for federal subsistence hunters (19 goat units total). Each billy counts as one goat unit, each nanny counts as two goat units, and each unrecovered goat counts as 1.5 goat units. The current harvest is 11 billies, 1 nanny, and 1 unrecovered goat totaling 14.5 goat units, with additional hunters currently in the field. In order to prevent over-harvest, RG249 will be closed on 8 October 2016 at 11:59 pm.

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