Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-11-16

Issued at Cordova, Alaska October 10, 2016

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

October 11, 2016

Expiration Date: June 30, 2017 unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for mountain goat in registration permit hunt area RG245, which includes that portion of Unit 6(D) west of Browns Creek, south of Lowe River and Port Valdez, and north of Jack Bay and the main channel of Jack River. Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other areas of Unit 6D 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040 (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident

Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 6(D), Hunt RG245: specifically, that portion west of Browns Creek, south of Lowe River and Port Valdez, and north of Jack Bay and the main channel of Jack River

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 survey of this area resulted in a minimum count of 62 goats within the mountain goat hunt area RG245. The Department set the maximum allowable state harvest at 5 goat units. Each billy counts as one goat unit and each nanny counts as two goat units. The current harvest is 4 billies and 1 nanny with additional hunters are currently in the field. In order to prevent over-harvest, RG245 will be closed on 11 October 2016 at 11:59 pm.

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