HUNTING-TRAPPING Emergency Order ALASKA DEPARTMENT

OF FISH AND GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-08-17

Effective Date: September 28, 2017

Issued at Douglas, Alaska September 27, 2017

Expiration Date: 30 June 2018 (unless superseded by a subsequent emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident goat hunting seasons in the area bounded by the White Pass and Yukon Railroad on the west side, the East Fork of the Skagway River on the south side, and the Canadian border to the north and east side in Game Management Unit 1(D). This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Thursday, September 28, 2017.

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Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goat in Unit 1(D):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	Neurosident
Unit and Day Limit	(Subsistence and	Nonresident
Unit and Bag Limit	General Hunts)	Open Season
(1)		
Unit 1(D), the area bounded by the White Pass and Yukon Railroad on the west side, the East Fork of the Skagway River on the south side, and the Canadian border to the north and east side.	Sept. 15–Sept. 28 (General hunt only)	Sept. 15–Sept. 28
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 He Hoch Carl H. Koch Asst. Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Based on the results of a 2016 aerial survey (46 adults, 9 kids) a guideline harvest objective of 1-2 points (male goats=1 point, female goats=2 points) was established by ADF&G for the area described above. As of Wednesday, September 27, 2017 two male mountain goats have been harvested for a total of 2 points. Because the guideline harvest level has been reached and any additional harvest may be detrimental to the sustainability of this population of goats, an emergency order has been issued to close the mountain goat hunting season in this area.

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