Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Depart

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-12-17

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. November 3, 2017 Issued at Kodiak, Alaska November 1, 2017

Expiration Date: June 30, 2018 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for elk in registration permit hunt area RE755 on all portions of Afognak, Kodiak, and adjacent islands at 11:59 p.m., November 3, 2017. Elk hunting on Raspberry Island is not affected by this closure.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5** AAC **85.035** (a) (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Elk, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and	Nonresident
Units and Bag Limits	General Hunts	Open Season
(2)		
Unit 8, Southwest Afognak, that portion of Afognak Island and adjacent islands south and west of a line from the head of Back Bay ($58^{\circ} 05.3^{\circ} N.$ lat., $152^{\circ} 45.7^{\circ} W.$ long.) to Hatch- ery Peak ($58^{\circ} 07.2^{\circ} N.$ lat., $152^{\circ} 47.5^{\circ} W.$ long.) to the head of Malina Bay ($58^{\circ} 09.3^{\circ}$ N. lat., $152^{\circ} 51.0^{\circ} W.$ long.)		
1 elk by registration permit only	Oct. 23—Nov. 3 (General hunt only)	Oct. 23—Nov. 3

Unit 8, Eastern Afognak, that Portion of Afognak Island east the main north-south log- ging road (1100 road) from the Danger Bay logging camp at 58° 08.2' N. lat., 152° 32.9' W. long., North to its terminus at Discoverer Bay at 58° 19.6' N. lat., 152° 21.8' W. long. and adjacent islands west of Mar- mot Strait		
1 elk by registration permit only	Oct. 23—Nov. 3 (General Hunt Only)	Oct. 23—Nov. 3
Remainder of Unit 8		
1 elk by registration permit only	Oct. 23—Nov. 3 (General Hunt Only)	Oct. 23—Nov. 3

Sam Cotten Commissioner

By delegation to:

Nathan Svoboda Kodiak Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

This emergency order closes the elk hunting season in registration permit hunt area RE755 on all portions of Afognak, Kodiak, and adjacent islands. The Central Afognak area was closed at 11:59 p.m. on October 30, 2017. The herds comprising the hunt area are estimated to include a total 1,080 elk. To maintain a stable to slightly increasing population, a harvest target of 108 elk was established for the unit-wide hunt area. As of November 1, 2017, the reported harvest is 86 elk. This closure is necessary to prevent unsustainable harvest.

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