HUNTING-TRAPPING Emergency Order ALASKA DEPARTMENT

OF FISH AND GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-08-18

Effective Date: September 22, 2018

Issued at Douglas, Alaska September 21, 2018

Expiration Date: 30 June 2019 (unless superseded by a subsequent emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident goat hunting seasons in the Takshanuk Mountain Range portion of hunt area RG023 in the area north and east of the Haines Highway and Chilkat River, west of the Chilkoot River and Lake, and north to Goat Hollow. This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Saturday, September 22, 2018.

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Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goat in Unit 1(D):

Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
Sept. 15–Sept. 22 (General hunt only)	Sept. 15–Sept. 22
	(Subsistence and General Hunts) Sept. 15–Sept. 22

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.

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By delegation to: _ Carl H Hork

Carl Koch Assistant Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Based on survey information, a guideline harvest objective of 7-8 points (male goat=1 point & female goat=2 points) was established for the middle portion of the Takshanuk Mountain Range. As of Friday, September 21, 2018, 4 goats have been harvested in this area, including 2 male goats (2 points), 1 female goat (2 points), and one unrecovered goat (2 points) for a total of 6 points. Several hunting parties are in the field and due to the vulnerability of goats in this area to additional harvest beyond the guideline harvest level, an emergency order (01-08-18) is being issued to close the goat hunting season in the middle portion of the Takshanuk Mountains at **11:59 pm on Saturday September 22, 2018**.

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