Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Departme

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-05-18

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. September 28, 2018 Issued at Cordova, Alaska September 27, 2018

Expiration Date: June 30, 2019 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state resident and nonresident hunting seasons 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040** (2), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident
Open Season
(SubsistenceNonresident
Open SeasonUnits and Bag LimitsGeneral Hunts)Open Season(2)...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-Sept. 28Sept. 15-Sept. 281 goat by registration permit only;Sept. 15-Sept. 28Sept. 15-Sept. 28Sept. 15-Sept. 28

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.

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By delegation to:

Charlotte Westing O Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

This year's aerial survey of the RG249 hunt area resulted in a minimum count of 235 goats. The maximum allowable harvest is 12 goat units. 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 nine billies and one nanny totaling 11 goat units, with additional hunters currently in the field. This closure is necessary to prevent unsustainable harvest.

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