Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-06-18

Issued at Cordova, Alaska September 28, 2018

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

September 29, 2018

Expiration Date: June 30, 2019 unless superseded by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 RG252, including areas east of Unakwik Inlet and Meares Glacier, west of the Columbia Glacier, and south of the second branch of Columbia Glacier in Game Management Unit 6(D). Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other areas of 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040 (2)**, **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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 (Subsistence General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

(2)

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Unit 6(D), Hunt RG252: specifically, that portion east of Unakwik Inlet and Meares Glacier, west of the Columbia Glacier, and south of the Second Branch Columbia Glacier.

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 aerial survey resulted in a minimum count of 399 goats within mountain goat hunt area RG252. The department set the maximum allowable harvest at 20 goat units. Each billy counts as one goat unit, each nanny counts as two goat units, and an unrecoverable goat counts and 1.5 goat units. The current harvest is 10 billies, two nannies and one unrecoverable goat, totaling 15.5 goat units with additional hunters remaining in the field. This closure is necessary to prevent unsustainable harvest.

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