# Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Depar

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-13-18

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. November 4, 2018 Issued at Kodiak, Alaska November 2, 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Expiration Date: June 30, 2019 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order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 elk in a portion of registration permit hunt area RE755 (Unit 8) at 11:59 p.m., November 4, 2018. The closure includes the areas south and west of a line from the head of Back Bay to Hatchery Peak to the head of Malina Bay (Southwest Afognak), and that portion of Afognak Island east and south of the main north-south logging road (1100 Road) from Danger Bay logging camp north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay, and the area south and west of a line from the head of Discoverer Bay to the head of Saposa Bay.

The areas of Afognak Island north and east of a line from the head of Discoverer Bay to the head of Saposa Bay (Eastern Afognak) remain open. The areas north and west of a line from the head of the north arm of Paramanof Bay to the peak of Iceberg Mountain to the head of Little Waterfall Bay also remain open. 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Therefore, the provisions of **5** AAC **85.035** (a) (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Elk, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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 General Hunts

Nonresident Open Season

### **Units and Bag Limits**

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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° 05.3' N. lat., $152^{\circ} 45.7'$ W. long.) to Hatch- ery Peak (58° 07.2' N. lat., $152^{\circ} 47.5'$ W. long.) to the head of Malina Bay (58° 09.3' N. lat., $152^{\circ} 51.0'$ W. long.)		
1 elk by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits may be issued	Sept. 25—Oct. 22 (General hunt only)	Sept. 25—Oct. 22
1 elk by registration permit only	Oct. 23—Nov. 4 (General Hunt Only)	Oct. 23—Nov. 4
Remainder of Unit 8, that portion of Afognak Island east and south of the main north-south logging road (1100 Road) from Danger Bay logging camp north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay and the area south and west of a line from the head of Discoverer Bay to the head of Saposa Bay.		
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1 elk by registration permit only 	Oct. 23—Nov. 4 (General Hunt Only)	Oct. 23—Nov. 4

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By delegation to:

Nathan Svoboda

Kodiak Area Biologist

#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

This emergency order closes the elk hunting season in a portion of the registration permit hunt area RE755 on Afognak Island which opened on October 23. A portion of the registration permit hunt area will close at 11:59 p.m. on November 4, 2018. The herd comprising this portion of the hunt area is estimated to include a total 370 elk. To maintain a stable to slightly increasing population, a harvest target of 37 elk was established for the hunt area which also includes drawing hunts. As of November 1, 2018, the reported harvest in this area is 28 elk. With hunters remaining in the field at this time, this closure is necessary to prevent unsustainable harvest.

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