# Hunting and Trapping

## Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-09-19

Issued at Kodiak, Alaska October 17, 2019

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.

October 22, 2019

Expiration Date: June 30, 2020 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order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., October 22, 2019. The area closing is part of the remainder of Unit 8, that portion of Afognak Island north and east of a line from the head of Back Bay to Hatchery Peak to the head of Malina Bay and west of the main north-south logging road (1100 Road) from Danger Bay logging camp north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay.

The areas of Afognak Island south and west of a line from the head of Back Bay to Hatchery Peak to the head of Malina Bay (Southwest Afognak) and east of the main north-south logging road (1100 Road) from Danger Bay logging camp north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay and adjacent islands west of Marmot Strait (Eastern Afognak), and the portion of the Remainder hunt area as described including Kodiak, Ban, and Shuyak Islands 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Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.035 (a) (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Elk, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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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Remainder of Unit 8, that portion of Afognak Island

north and east of a line from the head of Back Bay to Hatchery Peak to the head of Malina Bay and west of the main north-south logging road (1100 Road) from Danger Bay logging camp north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay

1 elk by drawing permit only; up to 500

permits may be issued

1 elk by registration permit only

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Sept. 25—Oct. 22 (General hunt only)

No Open Season (General Hunt Only) No Open Season

Sept. 25—Oct. 22

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

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 scheduled to open on October 23. A portion of the registration permit hunt area will not open this year and is closed as of 11:59 p.m. on October 22, 2019. The elk herds comprising this portion of the hunt area are estimated to include a total 365 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 October 17, 2019, the reported harvest in this area is 36 elk. This closure is necessary to prevent exceeding harvest objectives.

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