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A Portion of Registration Elk Hunt RE755 Will Close Early

(Kodiak) – An additional portion of registration elk hunt RE755 will be closed by emergency order, effective Sunday, October 27, 2019 at 11:59 p.m.. A number of privately-owned, domesticated Rocky Mountain elk have recently been identified outside of their grazing lease enclosure and have been located in a portion of the registration elk hunt area within the Kodiak Road System Management Area. Although somewhat similar in appearance, Rocky Mountain elk are a separate species of elk and are genetically different than the Roosevelt elk population that exists on Afognak and Raspberry Islands in Game Management Unit 8. In an effort to focus harvest on wild Roosevelt elk in the rest of the RE755 hunt area, elk hunting in this portion of the registration hunt area will be closed. Very few Roosevelt elk have been harvested in this area in previous years.

The closed portion of the Remainder hunt area includes a portion of the Kodiak Road System including the area east of a line from the mouth of the Olds River (57°35'27.50"N 152°26'36.20"W), to Lake Rose Teed, to the head of Pasagshak Bay at the mouth of Zenter Stream (57°28'05.99"N 152°29'18.81"W), and all areas on Kodiak Island east and north of Pasagshak Road including the Chiniak area, Sacramento Valley, Shaft Peak, and the Marin Range north of Narrow Cape. This closure also includes the Pasagshak Point and Narrow Cape areas of Kodiak Island (see attached map).

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