Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-09-20

Issued at Cordova, Alaska October 5, 2020

Effective Date: 11:59 pm

October 6, 2020

Expiration Date: June 30, 2021 unless superseded by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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040 (2)**, **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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

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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 Sept. 15-Oct. 6

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All other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Charlotte Westing Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The 2019 aerial survey resulted in a minimum count of 459 goats within mountain goat hunt area RG252. The department increased the maximum allowable harvest to 22 goat points. Each billy counts as one goat point, each nanny counts as two goat points, and an unrecoverable goat counts and 1.5 goat points. The current harvest is 19 billies with additional hunters remaining in the field. Harvest that exceeds objectives could lead to reduced future hunting opportunity.

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