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A Portion of Registration Elk Hunt RE755 Will Close Early

(Kodiak) – Elk hunters on Afognak Island this fall have had good success and have reached established harvest objectives in much of the RE755 registration hunt area. Consequently, elk hunting in the East Afognak hunt area will close by emergency order on Sunday, November 1, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. The closed portion of the hunt area includes areas east of the main north-south logging road (1100 Road) from Danger Bay logging camp north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay. Areas previously not opened for the registration hunt this year due to high harvest in the earlier drawing season (Southwest Afognak, portion of Remainder) will continue to remain closed. The closed portion of the Remainder hunt area includes areas west of the main north-south logging road (1100 Road) from the Danger Bay logging camp (58° 08.2' N, 152° 32.9'W) north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay (58° 19.6' N, 152° 21.8' W). Kodiak and Shuyak Islands will remain open.

Afognak Island elk are managed using established harvest guidelines for individual herds and a 10 percent harvest objective for the overall elk population. As of October 30, hunters had reported taking 18 elk from a quota of 24 in East Afognak. Harvest that exceeds objectives could lead to reduced future hunting opportunity.

Registration hunts remain open for a portion of the Remainder hunt area including Kodiak and Shuyak islands. Elk hunting on Raspberry Island is restricted to hunters with drawing permits. Detailed maps are available at the Alaska Department of Fish and Game office in Kodiak.

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