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## **Advisory Announcement**

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## Mt. Katlian Goat Hunt Zone Closed

(Sitka) – Hunt managers set a harvest quota of 3 males or 1 female for the Mt. Katlian hunt zone of mountain goat hunt RG150 on Baranof Island. Quotas are based on the most recent aerial surveys. In 2011, hunt managers devised the strategy of closing zones when one female goat was harvested. This strategy has been very effective in reducing female harvest. This "one and done" policy not only reduces female harvest in areas where there may be population concerns, but helps maintain high harvest opportunities for male goats. Keeping hunters focused on avoiding female harvest maintains

opportunities for more hunters to participate, especially in zones that have good access.

To date, one female and one unknown (unrecovered goats are counted as female for management purposes) have been harvested in the Mt. Katlian zone of RG150. Therefore, this zone is being closed by emergency order (EO) at 11:59 PM, Thursday, December 17, 2020.

Emergency Order 01-25-20 was issued to close the mountain goat season in the Mt. Katlian Zone of RG150 on Thursday, December 17, 2020 @ 11:59 PM.

Those portions of Unit 4 not affected by this emergency order will remain open until harvest quotas are reached or the season concludes.

Previous EO's are listed online at: <a href="http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wc">http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wc</a> news.main

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