Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-07-21

Issued at Cordova, Alaska October 11, 2021

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

October 12, 2021

Expiration Date: June 30, 2022 unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting seasons for mountain goat in registration permit hunt area RG248, north of the Port of Valdez in Game Management Unit 6(D). The hunt area includes the mainland drainages of Sheep Creek; north of Port Valdez, Robe Lake, and the Richardson Highway; and east of Shoup Glacier. Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other portions of Game Management 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Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.040 (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

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Open Season (Subsistence General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

(2)

prohibited

Unit 6(D), Hunt RG248: specifically, that portion including the mainland drainages of Sheep Creek; north of

Port Valdez, Robe Lake, and the Richardson

Highway; and east of Shoup Glacier.

1 goat by registration permit only; the taking of nannies with kids is

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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 last aerial survey resulted in a minimum count of 162 goats within mountain goat hunt area RG248. The department set the maximum allowable harvest at 5 goat points. Each billy counts as one goat point, each nanny counts as two goat points, and an unrecoverable goat counts as 1.5 goat points. The current harvest is one billy, and two nannies, totaling 5 goat points with additional hunters remaining in the field. Harvest that exceeds objectives could lead to reduced future hunting opportunity.

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