Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-11-21

Effective Date: 11:59 P.M. September 21, 2021 Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Issued at Douglas, Alaska September 20, 2021

Expiration Date: June 30, 2022 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state of Alaska resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season for that portion of Unit 1C on the south side of Blackerby Ridge encompassed by a line from Observation Peak west along the ridgeline down to the 1,000-foot contour, east along that contour to the north shore of Salmon Creek Reservoir, north of the main drainage into the head of the reservoir following that drainage south and east up to the ridgeline and east to Olds Mountain. This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Tuesday, September 21, 2021.

REGULATORY TEXT:

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting mountain goats in Unit 1(C):

	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and	Nonresident
Units and Bag Limits	General Hunts)	Open Season
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Unit 1(C), on the south side of Blackerby Ridge encompassed by a line from Observation Peak west along the ridgeline down to the 1,000-foot contour, east along that contour to the north shore of Salmon Creek Reservoir, north of the main drainage into the head of the reservoir following that drainage south and east up to the ridgeline and east to Olds Mountain	Aug. 1-Sept. 21 (General hunt only)	Aug. 1-Sept. 21
1 goat by registration permit		
only, the taking of nannies with		
kids is prohibited bow and arrow only		
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The remainder of Unit 1(C) mountain goat seasons, other than those previously closed by emergency order, are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to: Roy Churchwell

Roy Churchwell Juneau/Douglas Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

An aerial survey conducted on September 1, 2021 in the area between Blackerby Ridge and the Salmon Creek Reservoir resulted in low goat counts; a total of 18 goats were observed (18 adults, and 0 kids). A combined guideline harvest objective of 1-2 points (male goat = 1 point & female goat = 2 points) was established for the hunt area between the south side of Blackerby Ridge and the north side of Salmon Creek Reservoir, above the 1000-foot contour and east to Observation Peak. Furthermore, this is a small hunt area with relatively easy access and goat harvest could be substantial if not controlled. As of Monday, September 20, 2021, one male goat was taken in this area with an additional male goat wounded earlier in the season for a total of 2 points.

Due to the vulnerability of goats in this area, and because the guideline harvest level has been met, an emergency order (01-11-21) is being issued to close the goat hunting season in this area at 11:59 pm on Tuesday, September 21, 2021.

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