HUNTING-TRAPPING Emergency Order ALASKA DEPAR

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-08-22

Effective Date: August 25, 2022.

Issued at Douglas, Alaska August 24, 2022

Expiration Date: 30 June 2023 (unless superseded by a subsequent emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident goat hunting season in that portion of unit 1C on the south side of Blackerby Ridge encompassed by a line from Obvservation Peak west along the ridgeline down to the 1,000-ft contour, east along that contour to the north shore of the 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, Thursday, August 25, 2022.

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Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goat in Unit 1(D):

Unit and Days Limit	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and	Nonresident
Unit and Bag Limit	General Hunts)	Open Season
(1)		
Unit 1(C), that portion between the south side of Blackerby Ridge and the north side of Salmon Creek Reservoir, above the 1000 ft contour and east to Observation Peak.	Aug. 1- Aug. 25 (General hunt only)	Aug. 1- Aug. 25
1 goat by registration permit only, the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited bow and arrow only		
The remainder of Unit 1C goat seasons, are not affected by this emergency order.		

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Carl Hoch

Carl H. Koch Wildlife Biologist II

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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, 0 kids). A Combined guideline harvest objective of 1-2 points (male goat = 1 point & female goat = 2 points) was established for the 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. As of Wednesday, August 24, 2022, one male goat has been harvested for a total of 1 point. Furthermore, this is a small hunt area with relatively easy access and goat harvest could be substantial if not controlled. Due to the vulnerability of goats in this area, an emergency order (01-08-22) is being issued to close the goat hunting season in this area at 11:59 pm on Thursday, August 25, 2022.

DISTRIBUTION:

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