# Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Departme

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-10-22

Effective Date: 11:59 pm October 14, 2022 Issued at Cordova, Alaska October 13, 2022

Expiration Date: June 30, 2023 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order closes the state resident and nonresident hunting season for mountain goat in registration permit hunt area RG245, which includes that portion of Unit 6(D) west of Browns Creek, south of Lowe River and Port Valdez, and north of Jack Bay and the main channel of Jack River. Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other areas of Unit 6D 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Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040** (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident **Open Season** Nonresident (Subsistence Units and Bag Limits General Hunts) **Open Season** (2)Unit 6(D), Hunt RG245: specifically, that portion west of Browns Creek, south of Lowe River and Port Valdez, and north of Jack Bay and the main channel of Jack River 1 goat by registration permit only; Sep. 15-Oct. 14 Sep. 15-Oct. 14 the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited . . .

All other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

Charlotte West

By delegation to:

Charlotte Westing O Area Wildlife Biologist

## **JUSTIFICATION:**

The most recent aerial survey of the RG245 hunt area resulted in a minimum count of 176 goats. The maximum allowable harvest is 8 goat points. Each billy counts as one goat point, each nanny counts as two goat points, and each unrecovered goat counts as 1.5 goat points. The current harvest is four billies and two nannies for a total of 8 goat points, with additional hunters currently in the field. This closure is necessary to prevent exceeding harvest objectives.

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