Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. R1-13-23 Issued at Sitka, Alaska 17 October 2023

Effective Date: 20 October 2023 Expiration Date: 30 June 2024

(unless superseded by subsequent

emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season in the Clarence Kramer hunt zone of RG150 on Baranof Island in Game Management Unit 4. This emergency order takes effect at 11:59 PM, Friday, October 20, 2023.

REGULATION:

emergency order.

Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.040**, **Hunting seasons and bag limits for goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts	Nonresident Open Season
Unit 4, Clarence Kramer - Drainages north of Blue Lake/Creek between Glacier Lake outflow and Clarence Creek, including Clarence Kramer Peak.	Aug 1 – Oct 20 (General hunt only)	Aug 1 – Oct 20
1 goat by registration permit only, the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited.		

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All other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 4 remain unchanged and are not affected by this

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

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JUSTIFICATION:

Hunt managers set a harvest quota of three males or one female for the Clarence Kramer hunt zone of mountain goat hunt RG150 on Baranof Island. Quotas are based on the most recent aerial surveys. The strategy of closing hunt zones when one female has been harvested has been very effective in reducing female harvest and has helped maintain high harvest opportunities for male goats. Keeping hunters focused on avoiding female harvest maintains opportunities for more hunters to participate, especially in hunt zones that have good access.

To date, three male goats have been harvested in the Clarence Kramer hunt zone of RG150. The management objective for this zone has been met and no further harvest is warranted. Therefore, this zone is being closed by emergency order.

For more information about mountain goat hunting opportunities on Baranof Island including maps, zone quotas, FAQ's, and other information, contact the Sitka area office at (907) 747-5449.