

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-14-23

Issued at Kodiak, Alaska
October 20, 2023

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
October 22, 2023

Expiration Date: June 30, 2024
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for elk in portions of registration permit hunt area RE755 (Unit 8) at 11:59 p.m., October 22, 2023.

The closed areas include; Remainder, that portion of Afognak Island west of the main north-south logging road (1100 Road) from Danger Bay logging camp north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay and that portion north and east of a line from the head of Back Bay (58° 05.3' N. lat., 152° 45.7' W. long.) to Hatchery Peak (58° 07.2' N. lat., 152° 47.5' W. long.) to the head of Malina Bay (58° 09.3' N. lat., 152° 51.0' W. long.).

The remaining portions of the RE755 hunt will remain open October 23, 2023 through November 30, 2023 unless closed by emergency order. Kodiak Island will also open.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.035 (a) (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Elk**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts	Nonresident Open Season
Units and Bag Limits		
(2)		
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1 elk by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits may be issued

Sept. 25—Oct. 22 (General hunt only)

Sept. 25—Oct. 22

1 elk by registration permit only

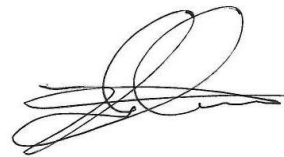
No Open Season (General Hunt Only)

No Open Season

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Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Nathan Svoboda
Kodiak Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

This emergency order closes the elk hunting season in portions of the registration permit hunt area RE755 on Afognak Island scheduled to open on October 23. A portion of the registration permit hunt area will not open this year and is closed as of 11:59 p.m. on October 22, 2023. The elk herds comprising this portion of the hunt area are estimated to include a total of 385 elk. To maintain a stable to slightly increasing population, a harvest target of 39 elk was established for the hunt area which also includes drawing hunts. As of October 20, 2023, the reported harvest in this area is 37 elk and with hunters still in the field biologists anticipate the harvest quota will be reached prior to this closure taking effect. This closure is necessary to prevent exceeding harvest objectives.

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