# Hunting and Trapping

# **Emergency Order**

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-19-23

Issued at Kodiak, Alaska November 22, 2023

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.

November 24, 2023

Expiration Date: June 30, 2024 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident hunting season for mountain goats in registration hunt area RG479 (North Road System; bow and arrow-only) and the registration hunt area RG489 (North Road System; archery/crossbow/muzzleloader-only) on Kodiak Island, at 11:59 p.m., November 24, 2023. These registration hunt areas are located within Game Management Unit 8. This emergency order does not affect the goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Game Management Unit 8.

#### **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.040** (a) (4), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective: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** 

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Unit 8, all lands enclosed by a line beginning at the mouth of Kizhuyak Bay continuing southeast through Ouzinkie Narrows and Narrow Strait, then south and west between Woody and Long islands, then southwest into Womens Bay to the mouth of Russian Creek,

then southwest along Russian Creek to its watershed divide, Then west to 'Mountain 3100' And following the ridgeline to 'Mountain 3292', then northeast to the headwaters of an unnamed stream west of Russian Creek headwaters; then northwest down the unnamed stream to its mouth at Kizhuyak Bay, then along the southwest shoreline of Kizhuyak Bay to Low Cape, then through the middle of Kizhuyak Bay to its mouth

1 goat by registration permit only; by bow and arrow only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited; or

1 goat by registration permit only; by bow and arrow, muzzleloader, or crossbow only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited

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Nov. 1 - Nov. 24 No open season

No open season No open season

All other goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Game Management Unit 8 are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Nathan Svoboda Kodiak Area Biologist

## **JUSTIFICATION:**

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident hunting season for mountain goats in Kodiak Island registration permit hunt RG479 (North Road System; bow and arrow-only) and hunt RG489 (North Road System; archery/crossbow/muzzleloader-only). The Department estimated a herd size of 141 goats in the North Road System area; as of November 22, 2023, 21 goats were reported harvested out of a target harvest level of 21 goats.

Registration goat hunts may be utilized to meet predetermined harvest quotas for each hunt area. For this year, the harvest quota for this area has been reached. Harvest that exceeds objectives could lead to reduced future hunting opportunity.

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