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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **A Portion of Afognak Registration Elk Hunt RE755 Closes by Emergency Order**

(Kodiak) – Elk hunters on Afognak Island this fall have taken advantage of mild weather and the island's extensive logging road system to reach harvest objectives in portions of the RE755 registration hunt area. Consequently, elk hunting in the registration hunt area (central Afognak) will close by emergency order on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 11:59 p.m.

Afognak Island elk are managed using established harvest guidelines for individual herds and a 10 percent harvest objective for the overall elk population. As of November 3, hunters had reported taking 26 elk from a quota of 33 in the central Afognak area. With hunters still in the field, biologists anticipate the harvest target will be reached prior to this closure taking effect; additional harvest would be excessive and could impede herd productivity and growth.

Registration hunts for elk of either sex remain open on southwestern Afognak (south and west of a line from the head of Back Bay to Hatchery Peak to the head of Malina Bay), eastern Afognak (east of the main north-south logging road – or 1100 Road – from the Danger Bay logging camp north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay), and on Kodiak and Shuyak Islands. Elk hunting on Raspberry Island is restricted to hunters with drawing permits. Detailed maps are available at the Alaska Department of Fish and Game office in Kodiak.

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*Note: See map on next page.*

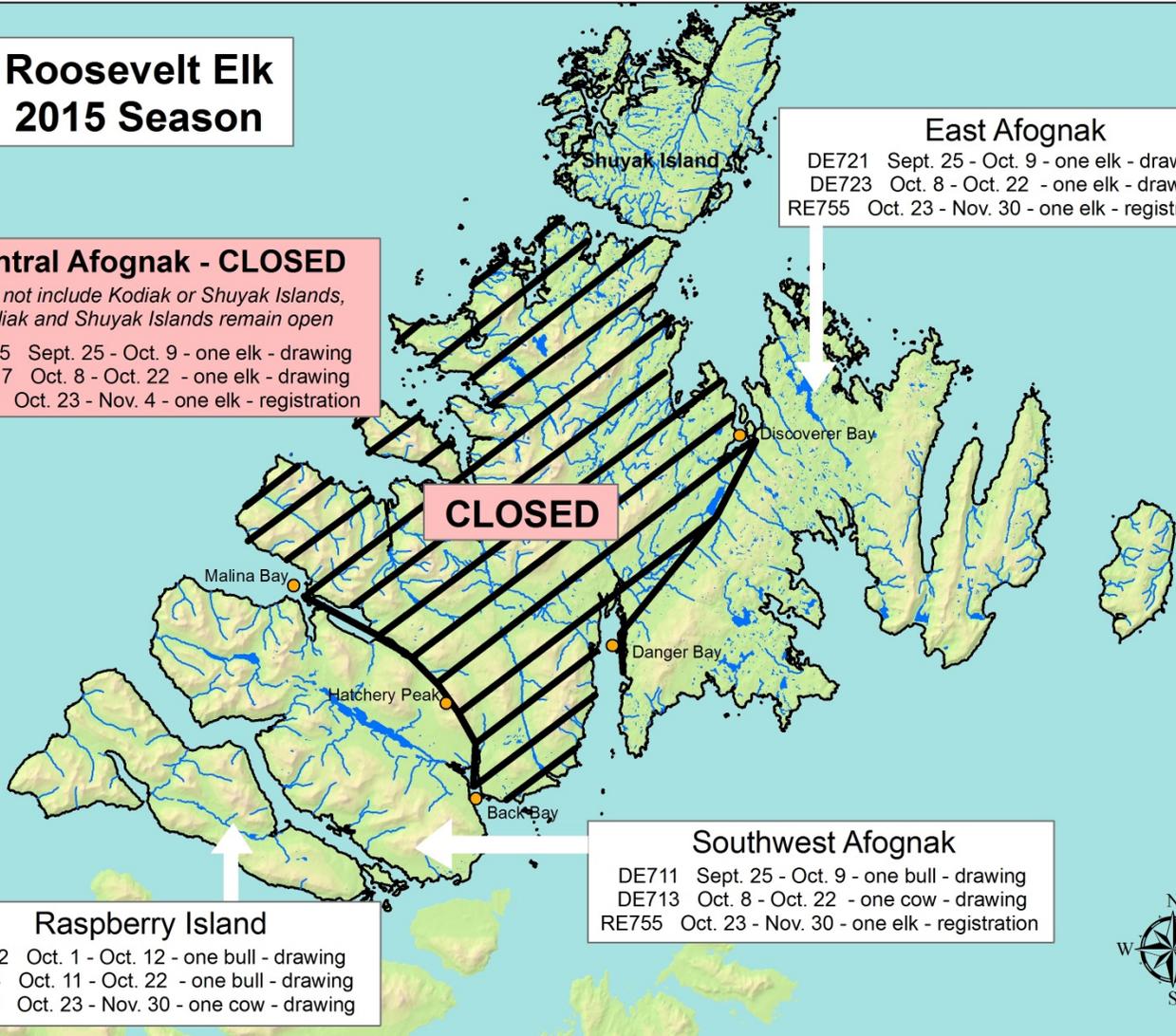
# Roosevelt Elk 2015 Season

**Central Afognak - CLOSED**  
*does not include Kodiak or Shuyak Islands,  
 Kodiak and Shuyak Islands remain open*

DE715 Sept. 25 - Oct. 9 - one elk - drawing  
 DE717 Oct. 8 - Oct. 22 - one elk - drawing  
 RE755 Oct. 23 - Nov. 4 - one elk - registration

**East Afognak**

DE721 Sept. 25 - Oct. 9 - one elk - drawing  
 DE723 Oct. 8 - Oct. 22 - one elk - drawing  
 RE755 Oct. 23 - Nov. 30 - one elk - registration



**Raspberry Island**

DE702 Oct. 1 - Oct. 12 - one bull - drawing  
 DE704 Oct. 11 - Oct. 22 - one bull - drawing  
 DE706 Oct. 23 - Nov. 30 - one cow - drawing

**Southwest Afognak**

DE711 Sept. 25 - Oct. 9 - one bull - drawing  
 DE713 Oct. 8 - Oct. 22 - one cow - drawing  
 RE755 Oct. 23 - Nov. 30 - one elk - registration

