Emergency Order No. 01-20-19  
Issued at Sitka, Alaska 22 November, 2019

**Effective Date:** 25 November, 2019  
**Expiration Date:** 30 June, 2020 (unless superseded by subsequent emergency order)

**EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season in the Whale Bay hunt zone of RG150 on Baranof Island in Game Management Unit 4. This emergency order takes effect at 11:59 PM, Monday, November 25, 2019.

**REGULATION:**

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, Hunting seasons and bag limits for goat, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

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<td>Unit 4, Whale Bay – Drainages east of Small Arm Whale Bay/Creek, east of Benzeman Lake, west of Great Arm Whale Bay/Creek to the pass at Peak 2907 and drainages of Politofski Lake.</td>
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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 emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:
Stephen Bethune
Sitka Area Wildlife Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Hunt managers set a harvest quota of 3 males or 1 female for the Whale Bay hunt zone of mountain goat hunt RG150 on Baranof Island. Quotas are based on the most recent aerial surveys.

To date, three male goats have been harvested in the Whale Bay 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 on the Baranof Island mountain goat hunt strategy that began with the 2017 season, visit the Unit 4 FAQ’s page at:
http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/hunting/goathunting/pdfs/unit_4_rg150_mountain_goat_hunt_faqs.pdf

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