Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-26-21

Issued at Sitka, Alaska
28 December, 2021

Effective Date: 29 December, 2021

Expiration Date: 30 June 2022
(unless superseded by subsequent emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season in the Cold Storage hunt zone of RG150 on Baranof Island in Game Management Unit 4. This emergency order takes effect at 11:59 PM, Wednesday, December, 2021.

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Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, Hunting seasons and bag limits for goat, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

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<th>Units and Bag Limits</th>
<th>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</th>
<th>Nonresident Open Season</th>
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<td>Unit 4, Cold Storage - Drainages north of Katlian River downstream of the Hogan Creek confluence, east of Coxe River, northeast of Nakwasina River upstream of the middle fork, upstream of Cold Storage Lake pass, the south fork of the middle fork drainage and remaining Cold Storage Lake drainages.</td>
<td>Aug 1 – Dec 29 (General hunt only)</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.

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Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:
Stephen Bethune
Sitka Area Wildlife Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Hunt managers set a harvest quota of 5 males or 1 female for the Cold Storage hunt zone of mountain goat hunt RG150 on Baranof Island. Quotas are based on the most recent aerial surveys. Baranof Island hunt zones were developed in 2017. To date, two female goats have been harvested in the Cold Storage hunt zone of RG150. Winter snow conditions have made goats more accessible. Additional harvest could be detrimental to the long-term stability of the goat herd in this area. Therefore, this zone is being closed by emergency order (EO) at 11:59 PM, Wednesday, December 29, 2021.

For more information on the Baranof Island mountain goat hunt strategy that began with the 2017 season, visit ADF&G’s Goat Hunting in Alaska Resources page at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=goathunting.resources
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