Emergency Order

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-11-22
Issued at Juneau, Alaska
30 September 2022

Effective Date: 1 October 2022
Expiration Date: 30 June 2023 (unless superseded by a subsequent emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state resident and nonresident goat hunting season in a portion of Game Management Unit 1A. The closure is for the Winstanley Lake trend count area (TCA) bounded by a line originating where Behm Canal and Rudyerd Bay intersect, east through Rudyerd Bay, then south through the south arm of Rudyerd Bay, east up the drainage to Big Goat Lake, east through Big Goat Lake to the lake’s eastern end, then south into Wilson Lake at the GPS point 55.523506, -130.552186, southwest through Wilson Lake to the outlet of Wilson River, south through the center of the Wilson River to the head of Wilson Arm, southwest through Wilson Arm to Smeaton Bay, west through the center of Smeaton Bay to Behm Canal, north to the point of origin. See attached map. This order is effective at 11:59 PM, 1 October, 2022.

REGULATORY TEXT:

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting mountain goats in Unit 1(A):

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Unit 1(A), Revillagigedo Island, except that portion south and west from Donnelly Point to Naha Bay, Roosevelt Lagoon, Naha River, and Heckman Lake, the divide between Heckman Lake and the head of the Salt Lagoon and the wester shores of Salt Lagoon and George Inlet to Mountain Point

1 goat by registration permit only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited.

All other hunting regulations in Unit 1A remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:
JUSTIFICATION:
Management of goats on the mainland of Unit 1A is allowed as a percentage of the most recent sightability corrected aerial survey in each trend count area TCA. The maximum allowable percentage of harvest for the mainland is 4% and decreases on a sliding scale according to the population size. The maximum percentage of nannies in the harvest is 30% of the allowable take, which is also based on a decreasing sliding scale. The department conducted an aerial survey in the Winstanley Lake TCA on 14 September 2022. A total of 44 goats were seen of which 6 (16%) were kids. With the sightability correction factor the total estimated population is 66 goats. According to the management plan, this allows for the total harvest of 1 goats of which 1 can be a nanny. Two nannies and two billies have been harvested. The maximum number of goats allowed to be harvested has been surpassed. Therefore, its justified to close the Winstanley Lake TCA for the remainder of the regulatory year.
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