Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. R2-10-24

Issued at: Anchorage, Alaska September 30, 2024

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. October 1, 2024

Expiration Date: June 30, 2025 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state resident registration permit hunt RG869 for mountain goats in Unit 14(C). All other goat hunting seasons in Unit 14 are unaffected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore the following regulations in 5AAC 85.040(7), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goats**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goats:

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Remainder of Unit 14(C), that portion within the drainages of Knik River upstream from, but not including, Big Timber Creek drainage

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 goat by registration permit only; however, goats may be taken from Aug. 16 through Aug. 31 by bow and arrow only; the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited. All other goat hunting regulations in Unit 14 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Cory Stantorf

Anchorage Area Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

A mountain goat survey of the Lake George hunt area conducted in August 2024 indicated the hunt area contains a minimum of 495 goats, 17 percent of which are kids. To ensure the population objective of at least 500 goats in Unit 14C that will sustain an annual harvest of 25 goats, comprising at least 60 percent males, harvest from this area should not exceed 24 goat points. The Lake George area is managed with separate hunts for resident and nonresident hunters. Sixteen of the total goat points are allotted for residents holding permit RG869 and RG879. Total goat points are calculated using one point for billies and two points for nannies. Combined, 16 goat points (6 nannies and 4 billies) have been harvested by resident hunters from the Lake George drainage, and there are additional hunters in the field. To ensure sustainable goat numbers, this hunt will close at 11:59 pm on October 1, 2024.

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