Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-15-24

Issued at Kodiak, Alaska October 18, 2024

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.

October 22, 2024

Expiration Date: June 30, 2025 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for elk in a portion of the RE755 registration permit hunt area (Unit 8) at 11:59 p.m., October 22, 2024.

The closed portion of the hunt area includes the Southwest Afognak hunt area, the Eastern Afognak hunt area and that portion of the Unit 8 Remainder hunt area east of a line from the head of Danger Bay (58° 13.29' N, 152° 34.61'W) to the head of Delphin Bay (58° 19.96' N, 152° 28.78' W).

The remaining portions of the RE755 hunt area not identified in this emergency order remain open through November 30, 2024 unless closed by emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.035 (a) (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Elk, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts

Resident

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 8, Southwest Afognak, that portion of Afognak Island and adjacent islands south and west of a line from the head of Back Bay (58° 05.38' N. lat., 152° 45.7' W. long.) to Hatch-

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Sept. 25—Oct. 22

No Open Season

ery Peak (58° 07.2' N. lat.,
152° 47.5' W. long.) to the
head of Malina Bay (58° 09.3°
N. lat., 152° 51.0' W. long.)
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1 elk by drawing permit
only; up to 500
permits may be issued

1 elk by registration permit only

Unit 8, Eastern Afognak, that portion of Afognak Island east of the main north-south logging road (1100 road) from the Danger Bay logging camp at 58° 08.20' N. lat., 152° 32.98' W. long., north to its terminus at Discoverer Bay at 58° 19.60' N. lat., 152° 21.80'W. long., and adjacent islands west of Marmot Strait.

1 elk by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits may be issued; or

1 elk by registration permit only; or

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Remainder of Unit 8, that portion of Afognak Island and adjacent islands east of a line from the head of Danger Bay 58° 13.29' N. lat., 152° 34.61'W. long., to the head of Delphin Bay 58° 19.96' N. lat., 152° 28.78' W. long..

1 elk by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits may be issued; or

Sept. 25—Oct. 22 (General hunt only)

No Open Season

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Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Nathan Svoboda Kodiak Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

This emergency order closes the elk hunting season by registration permit RE755 on Afognak Island in the Southwest Afognak hunt area, the Eastern Afognak hunt area and a portion of the Unit 8 Remainder hunt area. This portion of the registration permit hunt area closes at 11:59 p.m. on October 22, 2024. The elk herds in this portion of the hunt area are estimated to include a total 400 elk. To maintain a stable to slightly increasing population, a harvest objective of 41 elk was established for these hunt areas collectively which include a combination of drawing and registration permit hunt opportunities. As of October 18, 2024, the reported harvest in this area was 41 elk. The closure is necessary to prevent harvest beyond established harvest objectives, which may impede herd productivity and growth.

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