Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order Alaska Depart

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-17-24

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m. October 30, 2024 Issued at Kodiak, Alaska October 29, 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Expiration Date: June 30, 2025 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order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 30, 2024.

The closed area includes that portion of the Unit 8 Remainder hunt area on Afognak Island south and east of the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge boundary from Paramanof Bay to Waterfall Lake and a line extending from Waterfall Lake (58° 21.04' N. lat.,152° 32.9' W. long.) to the head of Little Waterfall Bay (58° 23.5' N. lat.,152° 29.9' W. long.).

This emergency order is in addition to closures made by emergency order 02-15-24 issued on October 18, 2024. The remaining portion of the RE755 hunt area not identified in this or previous emergency orders will remain open through November 30, 2024 unless closed by emergency order. Kodiak, Ban and Shuyak islands remain open.

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Therefore, the provisions of **5** AAC **85.035** (a) (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Elk, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident
Open Season
(Subsistence and
General Hunts

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

(2)

Remainder of Unit 8, that portion of Afognak Island and adjacent islands south and east of the Kodiak National Wildlife

Refuge boundary from Paramanof Bay to Waterfall Lake and a line extending from Waterfall Lake (58° 21.04' N. lat.,152° 32.9' W. long.) to the head of Little Waterfall Bay (58° 23.5' N. lat., 152° 29.9' W. long.).		
1 elk by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits may be issued; or	Sept. 25—Oct. 22 (General hunt only)	Sept. 25—Oct. 22
1 elk by registration permit only; or	Sept. 25—Oct. 22 (General hunt only)	No Open Season
1 elk by registration permit only	Oct. 23—Oct. 30 (General Hunt Only)	Oct. 23—Oct. 30

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 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 30, 2024. The elk herds in this portion of the hunt area are estimated to include a total 320 elk. To maintain a stable to slightly increasing population, a harvest objective of 33 elk was established for the hunt area. A combination of drawing and registration permit hunt opportunities were administered in the area and as of October 29, 2024, the reported harvest in the area was 35 elk. The harvest objective for the area has been exceeded and no further harvest is warranted at this time.

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