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Advisory Announcement

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Port Valdez/Lowe River Goat Hunt Closes

(Cordova) – Registration permit hunt RG245 for mountain goats in Game Management Unit 6D will close by emergency order at 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2024. Hunt area RG245 includes that portion of Unit 6D west of Browns Creek, south of Lowe River and Port Valdez, and north of Jack Bay and the main channel of Jack River.

The most recent aerial survey found a minimum count of 176 goats in registration permit area RG245. The department set the maximum allowable harvest at 8 goat points. The current reported harvest is three billies and three nannies; each billy counts as one goat point, each nanny counts as two goat points. Hunters remain in the field and additional goats may have been taken and not yet reported. Harvest that exceeds objectives could lead to reduced future hunting opportunity.

This closure affects only registration permit hunt RG245 in Unit 6D. All other mountain goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

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