# Hunting and Trapping

## **Emergency Order**

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. R1-14-25

Issued at Sitka, Alaska 14 October 2025

Effective Date: 17 October 2025

Expiration Date: 30 June 2026 (unless superseded by subsequent emergency order)

## **EXPLANATION**:

This emergency order closes the resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season in the Lake Diana and Lake Irina hunt zones of RG150 on Baranof Island in Game Management Unit 4. This emergency order takes effect at 11:59 PM, Friday, October 17, 2025.

### **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.040**, **Hunting seasons and bag limits for goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts	Nonresident Open Season
Unit 4, Lake Diana – Drainages south of Redoubt Lake Creek, east of West Crawfish Inlet Creek to Redoubt Lake Creek, west of Lake Ekaterina/Creek to the pass into Upper Benzeman Creek; and west of Upper Benzeman Creek and the ridge between Peaks 4435 and 4358.	Aug 1 – Oct 17 (General hunt only)	Aug 1 – Oct 17
Lake Irina – Drainages south of Redoubt Lake, north of West Crawfish Inlet and west of their respective inlet streams, but excluding the Kliuchef Peninsula.		

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

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All other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 4 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

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By delegation to:

10/14/2025

Stephen Bethune

Sitka Area Wildlife Management Biologist

#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

Hunt managers set a combined harvest quota of five males or one female for the Lake Diana and Lake Irina hunt zones of mountain goat hunt RG150 on Baranof Island. Quotas are based on the most recent aerial surveys. The strategy of closing hunt zones when one female has been harvested has been very effective in reducing female harvest and has helped maintain high harvest opportunities for male goats. Keeping hunters focused on avoiding female harvest maintains opportunities for more hunters to participate, especially in hunt zones that have good access.

To date, four male goats from Lake Diana and one male goat from Lake Irina have been harvested. Therefore, these zones are being closed by emergency order.

For more information about mountain goat hunting opportunities on Baranof Island including maps, zone quotas, FAQ's, and other information, contact the Sitka area office at (907) 747-5449.