

Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. R1-5-26

Issued at Sitka, Alaska
8 September, 2026

Effective Date: 8 September, 2026

Expiration Date: 30 June 2027
(unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order re-opens the resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season in the Necker Bay hunt zone in Game Management Unit 4. This emergency order takes effect at 11:59 PM, September 8, 2026.

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Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.040, Hunting seasons and bag limits for goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

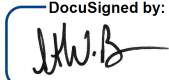
Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts	Nonresident Open Season
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Unit 4, Necker Bay – The peninsulas west of Small Arm Whale Bay/Creek, west of Benzeman Lake and southeast of Crawfish Inlet, but excluding Aspid Cape.	Sept 8 – Dec 31 (General hunt only)	Sept 8 – Dec 31

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

By delegation to:  9/8/2026
Stephen Bethune
Sitka Area Wildlife Management Biologist

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JUSTIFICATION:

An emergency order closing the Necker Bay hunt zone of mountain goat hunt RG150 was issued on September 1, 2026. A clerical error assigned two harvested male goats to this zone. To date, zero goats have actually been harvested in the Necker Bay zone during the 2026 hunting season. Therefore, the Department is re-opening the Necker Bay zone.

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.