

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-07-12

Issued at Kodiak, Alaska
October 19, 2012

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
October 22, 2012

Expiration Date: June 30, 2013
unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and non-resident hunting season for elk in registration permit hunt RE755 south of a line running from the head of the northwest arm of Kazakof (Danger) Bay to the peak of Shepard's Ridge to the north tip of Gretchen Lake to the western side of the mouth of Sapos Bay on Afognak Island at 11:59 PM, October 22, 2012. It also closes the season for bull (antlered) elk throughout RE755. This registration hunt area is located within Game Management Unit 8. This emergency order does not affect elk hunting regulations in the remainder of Game Management Unit 8.

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Therefore, the provisions of **5 AAC 85.035 (a) (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Elk**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts	Nonresident Open Season
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That portion of Afognak Island circumscribed by a line from the head of the northwest arm of Kazakof (Danger) Bay (58° 12' 16" N. lat., 152° 35' 47" W. long.) to the peak of Shepard's Ridge (58° 15' 38" N. lat., 152° 33' 14" W. long.) to the north tip of Gretchen Lake (58° 18' 11" N. lat., 152° 15' 00" W. long.) to

the western side of the mouth of Saposa Bay
(58° 15' 12" N. lat., 152° 14' 17" W. long.)

1 elk by registration permit only

No open season
(General Hunt Only)

No open season

Remainder of Unit 8

1 antlerless elk by registration permit only

Oct. 23 – Nov. 30
(General Hunt Only)

Oct. 23 – Nov. 30

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Cora Campbell
Commissioner

by delegation to:



Lawrence J. Van Daele
Regional Wildlife Supervisor

JUSTIFICATION:

This emergency order closes the elk hunting season on the southeastern Afognak Island portion of registration permit hunt RE755 that encompasses the range of the Duck Mountain herd. That herd includes about 90 elk, and has been relatively stable in size in recent years. To maintain the stability of this herd we set a harvest target of 9-12 elk. As of 19 October 2012 the reported harvest was 11 elk. Any additional harvest beyond the closure date in this emergency order would be excessive and may jeopardize the future productivity of this herd. This emergency order also closes the remainder of RE755 to bull (antlered) elk hunting in order to bolster the bull:cow ratio and reduce harvest rates.

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