

Emergency Order

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-05-19

Issued at Douglas, Alaska
August 5, 2019

Effective Date: 11:59 P.M.
August 6, 2019

Expiration Date: June 30, 2020
unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state of Alaska resident and nonresident mountain goat hunting season for that portion of Unit 1C on the south side of Blackerby Ridge encompassed by a line from Observation Peak west along the ridgeline down to the 1,000-foot contour, east along that contour to the north shore of Salmon Creek Reservoir, north of the main drainage into the head of the reservoir following that drainage south and east up to the ridgeline and east to Olds Mountain. This order takes effect at 11:59 pm, Tuesday, August 6, 2019.

REGULATORY TEXT:

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 85.040, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR GOAT, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting mountain goats in Unit 1(C):

	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
Units and Bag Limits (1) ...		
Unit 1(C), on the south side of Blackerby Ridge encompassed by a line from Observation Peak west along the ridgeline down to the 1,000-foot contour, east along that contour to the north shore of Salmon Creek Reservoir, north of the main drainage into the head of the reservoir following that drainage south and east up to the ridgeline and east to Olds Mountain	Aug. 1-Aug. 6 (General hunt only)	Aug. 1-Aug. 6
1 goat by registration permit only, the taking of nannies with kids is prohibited bow and arrow only		

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The remainder of Unit 1(C) mountain goat seasons, other than those previously closed by emergency order, are not affected by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Roy Churchwell
Juneau/Douglas Area Wildlife
Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

An aerial survey conducted on September 25, 2014 in the area between Blackerby Ridge and the Salmon Creek Reservoir resulted in low goat counts; a total of 22 goats were observed (17 adults, and 5 kids). A combined guideline harvest objective of 1-2 points (male goat = 1 point & female goat = 2 points) was established for the hunt area between the south side of Blackerby Ridge and the north side of Salmon Creek Reservoir, above the 1000 foot contour and east to Observation Peak. As of Monday, August 5, 2019, one female goat has been harvested in this area for a total of 2 points. Due to the vulnerability of goats in this area, and because the guideline harvest level has been met, an emergency order (01-05-19) is being issued to close the goat hunting season in this area at 11:59 pm on Tuesday, August 6, 2019.

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