

# Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department  
of Fish and Game

**Emergency Order No. 02-03-15**

**Issued at:** Anchorage, Alaska  
August 6, 2015

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.  
August 7, 2015

**Expiration Date:** June 30,  
2016 unless superseded by  
subsequent emergency  
order

## **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order establishes the season for state **nonresident** registration permit hunt RG882 for mountain goats in Unit 14(C) as September 1-3, 2015. All other goat hunting seasons in Unit 14 are unaffected by this emergency order.

## **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the following regulations in 5AAC 85.040(7), **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goats**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting goats:

<b>Units and Bag Limits</b>	<b>Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)</b>	<b>Nonresident Open Season</b>
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Remainder of Unit 14(C);  
specifically that portion within the  
drainages of Knik River upstream from,  
but not including Big Timber Creek  
drainage

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NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

RG879

Aug. 16-Aug. 31

1 goat by registration permit only,  
and by bow and arrow only; the  
taking of nannies with kids is prohibited;

or

RG 882

Sept. 1- Sept. 3

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

All other goat hunting regulations in Unit 14 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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David Battle  
Anchorage Area Wildlife Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:**

Goat surveys were conducted in the Lake George area in summer 2015 with 471 goats counted. The department's area management objectives provide for a sustainable annual harvest of 5 percent comprised of at least 60 percent billies. To maintain that goal, the Lake George registration hunt area has been assigned a maximum allowable harvest of 23 "goat units". Total goat units are calculated using one unit for billies and two for nannies. The Lake George area is managed with separate registration hunts for resident and nonresident hunters. Fourteen of the total goat units are allotted for residents holding permit RG869 and three goat units are allotted for nonresidents holding permit RG882. Total goat units are calculated using one unit for billies and two units for nannies. To minimize the likelihood that the quota for RG882 is not exceeded, this hunt will close at 11:59 pm on 3 September 2015.

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