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Mt. Kluchman Mountain Goat Hunt Closure

Biologists with the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in Douglas announce an early closure to the mountain goat hunting season under the state registration permit hunt RG013, for the Mt. Kluchman portion of Unit 1C located in the Taku River drainage.

Aerial surveys conducted by ADF&G in September 2013 resulted in a total of 22 goats (19 adults, 3 kids) observed on Mt. Kluchman. Based on the survey information a guideline harvest of 1-2 goats (males=1 point & females= 2 points) were established for the area. As of Thursday, October 08, 2015, the reported harvest is 1 female goat for a total of 2 points. Because the guideline harvest has been met and any additional harvest of goats in this area could have long term, negative impacts to the health of this goat herd an emergency order has been issued to close this area at 11:59 pm, on Friday, October 9, 2015.

An Emergency Order (01-12-15) was issued that closes the mountain goat season for Mt. Kluchman on Sunday, October 9, 2015 @ 11:59 pm.

Unless previously closed by emergency order all other mountain goat hunting regulations in Unit 1C remain unchanged and are not affected by this Emergency Order.

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