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PARTIAL CLOSURE TO MOUNTAIN GOAT HUNTING BETWEEN DAYEBAS CREEK AND KASIDAYA CREEK (RG024)

A guideline harvest objective of 1-2 points (male goat = 1 point & female goat = 2 points) was established for the hunt area along the eastern shore of Taiya Inlet, from Dayebas Creek north to Kasidaya Creek. As of Monday, October 8, 2018 one female goat has been harvested in this area for a total of 2 points. Due to the vulnerability of goats in this area, the low number of goats seen during aerial surveys, and because the guideline harvest level has been met, an emergency order (01-15-18) is being issued to close the goat hunting season in this area at **11:59 pm on Tuesday, October 9, 2018**.

Those portions of Unit 1D not affected by this emergency order, and not previously closed, will remain open until the harvest guidelines are reached or the seasons come to their scheduled conclusions.

Biologists with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game encourage hunters to target male goats to allow for a higher sustainable harvest. Hunters with questions about goat hunting can contact Carl Koch, in the Douglas Area Office at 907-465-4329.

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