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Goat Hunt RG248 North of the Port of Valdez Closes

(Cordova) – Registration permit hunt RG248 for mountain goats in Game Management Unit 6D will close by emergency order at 11:59 p.m. on October 12. The hunt area includes the mainland drainages of Sheep Creek; north of Port Valdez, Robe Lake, and the Richardson Highway; and east of Shoup Glacier.

An aerial survey found a minimum count of 162 goats in the RG248 registration permit area. The department set the maximum allowable harvest at 5 goat points. The current reported harvest is one billy and two nannies for a total of 5 goat points; each billy counts as one goat point and each nanny counts as two goat points. Hunters currently remain in the field and it is likely that additional goats have been taken and not yet reported. Harvest that exceeds objectives could lead to reduced future hunting opportunity.

This closure affects only registration permit hunt RG248 in Unit 6D. All other mountain goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

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