

Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 03-02-18

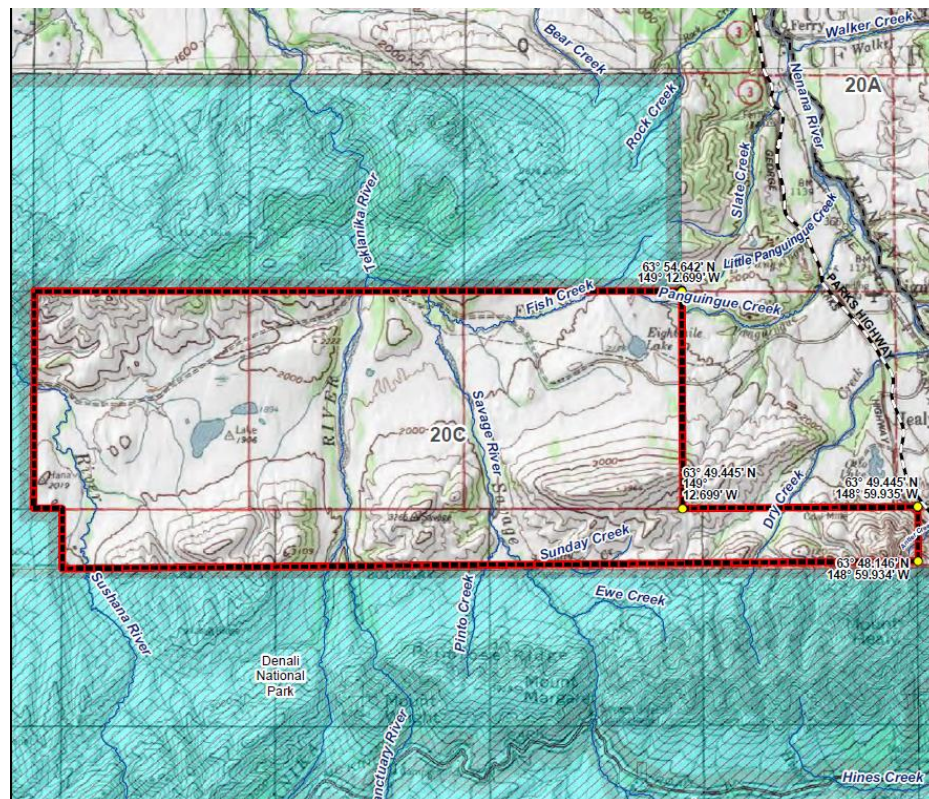
Issued at: Fairbanks, Alaska
April 2, 2018

Effective Date: 11:59 P.M.
Hunting Seasons - April 2, 2018
Trapping Seasons - April 9, 2018

Expiration Date: June 30, 2018
unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

Hunting seasons for wolves in Game Management Unit 20C within the townships in the Stampede corridor area bounded by Denali National Park and Preserve will close on Monday, April 2, 2018. Trapping seasons for wolves in Game Management Unit 20C within the townships in the Stampede corridor area bounded by Denali National Park and Preserve will close on Monday, April 9, 2018.



REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.056(a)(2), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR WOLVES**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting wolves:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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Units 12, 20, and 25(C)		
10 wolves as follows:		
Unit 12, remainder of Unit 20, and Unit 25(C)	Aug. 10-May 31	Aug 10-May 31
Unit 20(C), that portion west of a line beginning at 63° 48.146' N. lat., 148° 59.934' W. long., north to 63° 49.445' N. lat., 148° 59.935' W. long., then west to 63° 49.445' N. lat., 149° 12.699' W. long., then north to 63° 54.642' N. lat., 149° 12.699' W. long., and bounded on the south, west, and north by Denali National Park	Aug. 10-Apr. 2	Aug 10-Apr. 2
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Additionally, the following regulations in **5AAC 84.270(13), FURBEARER TRAPPING**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for trapping wolves:

Species and Units	Open Season	Bag Limit
(13) Wolf		
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Remainder of Unit 19, remainder of Unit 20, Units 21(B), 21(C), 21(D), 21(E), 22-24, 25(A), 25(B), 25(C), and 26	Nov. 1-Apr. 30	No limit.

Species and Units**Open Season****Bag Limit**

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Nov. 1-Apr. 9

No limit.

Units 20(D) and 20(E)

Oct. 15-Apr. 30

No limit.

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All other wolf hunting and trapping regulations are not affected by this emergency order.

JUSTIFICATION:

The wolf harvest this season in the area described is more than the past 5-year average and there is the potential for more harvest to occur between now and the end of the hunting and trapping seasons. This wolf harvest closure is done in an effort to manage harvest closer to the previous 5-year average.

The normal hunting season for wolves ends on April 15 in this area and trapping ends April 30. There are no conservation concerns for wolves in Game Management Unit 20C, which includes a large portion of the park.

Sam Cotten
Commissioner

By delegation to: _____



Bruce Dale, Director
Division of Wildlife Conservation

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