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## Mountain goat harvest closed for Bear Mountain Zone on Baranof Island

SITKA, Alaska – Sitka District Ranger Perry Edwards, under authority delegated by the Federal Subsistence Board, is closing the Bear Mountain Zone in <u>Unit 4</u> to the harvest of mountain goats. The closure will be effective Thursday, August 15, 2019, at 11:59 p.m. and will remain in effect through the rest of the 2019 season which ends December 31. Further mountain goat harvest in this zone could have long term, negative effects on the conservation of this mountain goat subpopulation. The remainder of Baranof Island is open to goat hunting until the season closes, unless closed by past or future special action.

A map and description of the closed areas are available from the Sitka Ranger District Office and the Sitka area office of ADF&G. Information on Federal subsistence management special actions for the Tongass National Forest can be found at <u>http://www.fs.usda.gov/news/tongass/news-events</u>. For additional information, call Zone Fish and Wildlife Biologist Justin Koller at 907-747-4297 or email him at justin.koller@usda.gov.

Information on the Federal Subsistence Management Program can be found at https://www.doi.gov/subsistence

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