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Under the authority of:

**36 CFR §242.10 and .19**  
**50 CFR §100.10 and .19**

### **Portions of Baranof Island in Unit 4 to close to the harvest of mountain goats**

SITKA, Alaska – The Sitka District Ranger, under authority delegated by the Federal Subsistence Board, is closing the following zones to the harvest of mountain goats: The Pyramids, Slaughter Ridge (Lisa Creek), Indian River, Rosenberg Lake, Lake Irina, Indigo Lake, Necker Bay, Lucky Chance, North Kelp Bay, and South Baranof. The closure will be effective Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at 11:59 p.m. and will remain in effect through the rest of the 2018 season which ends December 31. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) has issued a concurrent closure in the same zones. Mountain goat harvest in these zones could have long term negative effects on the conservation of these mountain goat subpopulations. The remainder of Baranof Island is open to goat hunting until the season closes, unless closed by 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 <http://www.fs.usda.gov/news/tongass/news-events>. For additional information, call Subsistence Biologist Justin Koller at 907-747-4297 or email him at [jpkoller@fs.fed.us](mailto:jpkoller@fs.fed.us).

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

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