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Tongass Lands Unit 4 open to deer hunting through Jan. 31, 2010

Sitka, AK--The U.S. Forest Service would like to remind deer hunters that the federal subsistence hunting season for deer in Unit 4 is open through January 31, 2010.

The Northeast Chichagof Controlled Use Area in Unit 4 will remain closed to the taking of female deer.

Hunters must possess a 2010 State of Alaska hunting license and valid 2009/2010 deer harvest tickets. Only hunters that reside in communities within Unit 4, or the communities of Kake, Gustavus, Haines, Petersburg, Point Baker, Klukwan, Port Protection, Wrangell or Yakutat are eligible to take deer in Unit 4 in January 2010.

All deer hunting must occur on federal public lands. Lands closed to hunting include city, state, and private lands including all lands below mean high tide.

Federal designated hunter permits are required for those wanting to hunt deer for family or friends and are available at your local Forest Service office.

Subsistence regulations and maps displaying the location of federal public lands are available at Forest Service offices. For more information, call the Forest Service at 747-6671.

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