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April 10, 2017

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: Hunting Mountain Goats in Valhalla Provincial Park

Congratulations on successfully receiving a Limited Entry Hunt (LEH) authorization for mountain goat hunting in MU 4-16, Zone B. This mountain goat LEH zone includes Valhalla Provincial Park. The purpose of this letter is to make you aware of the special considerations when hunting in the Park.

Hunting is an allowable activity in Valhalla Provincial Park subject to public safety and wildlife conservation considerations, and is managed through provincial policy and park specific management plans.

Hunters are requested to observe the following etiquette when hunting in the Park.

1. **Avoid hunting in close proximity to camping, hiking and climbing areas.** Hunters are requested to avoid hunting goats in the vicinity of the Gimli\Mulvey climbing and camping area. This area is heavily utilized by park visitors and BC Parks is managing the site to protect the unique viewing opportunity of the mountain goats present on that site. There are numerous other areas within Valhalla Provincial Park, and the other portions of WMU 4-16, Zone B that offer better opportunities to be successful in your hunt this season.
2. **Do not leave animal remains in camping sites or adjacent to trails.** Animal remains can be an attractant for bears and other wildlife, and are unsightly to the public. Please dispose of remains discreetly and away from areas frequented by park visitors.
3. **Practice a clean camping ethic.** Ensure that you remove any refuse, spent cartridges, and other camping and hunting materials from the Park at the end of your hunt and observe all camping restrictions and regulations in the Park.

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By practicing good hunting ethics within the Park, you are supporting wildlife management, a positive image of hunting and hunters, and the ability to manage for multiple uses of wildlife without using restrictive hunting regulations.

BC Parks wants to thank you for your cooperation, and wishes you a safe and successful hunting season.

For further information regarding BC Parks, please visit the website at:

<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/>

For further information regarding hunting in BC, please visit the Fish and Wildlife website at:

<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/>

Yours truly,



for John Trewhitt
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