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Midwinter Ice Storms Can be Deadly for Some of Alaska's Animals, February 2, 2011 - Twice since 2005, the Western Arctic caribou herd has been hit hard by ice storms that locked their forage beneath a layer of white pavement. After the first of those storms, large numbers of caribou suffered from starvation. Neither caribou nor Southcentral Dall sheep are well equipped for chipping through frozen surfaces to get at their food. Alaska Dispatch

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