## NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS ON YUKON RIVER SUBSISTENCE SALMON FISHERY AND ALASKA PENINSULA COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

On July 17, 2018, the Alaska Board of Fisheries adopted, as emergency regulations, changes in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with lawful gear and gear specifications in Subdistrict 4-A of the Yukon River, including the following:

(1) 5 AAC 01.220(e)(2) is proposed to be changed to allow the harvest of chum salmon by drift gillnets after August 2 downstream from Stink Creek.

On July 17, 2018, the Board also adopted, as emergency regulations, changes to Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with the commercial salmon harvest in the Southeastern District Mainland Salmon Management Plan and the Post-June Salmon Management Plan for the South Alaska Peninsula, including the following:

- (1) 5 AAC 09.360(m) is proposed to be added to extend closure restrictions in the Southeastern District Mainland through August 8 unless Chignik Lake sockeye salmon interim escapement objectives are met, and
- (2) 5 AAC 09.366(k) is proposed to be added to extend closure restrictions in portions of fisheries along the South Alaska Peninsula through August 8 unless Chignik Lake sockeye salmon interim escapement objectives are met.

The emergency regulations take effect immediately upon filing by the Lieutenant Governor and will expire 120 days thereafter by operation of AS 44.62.260. The Board does not intend to make these regulations permanent.

For a copy of the emergency regulations, either contact Shellene Hutter, Regulations Specialist, Alaska Department of Fish and Game at 907-465-6124, <a href="mailto:shellene.hutter@alaska.gov">shellene.hutter@alaska.gov</a>, or view it on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

**Statutory Authority:** AS 16.05.251; 16.05.258

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05.251; 16.05.258

Fiscal Information: The regulations are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: July 23, 2018

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## ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION

(AS 44.62.190(g))

- 1. Adopting Agency: The Alaska Board of Fisheries.
- 2. General subject of regulations: Emergency regulations regarding chum salmon subsistence harvest with drift gillnet gear in Subdistrict 4-A of the Yukon River and commercial salmon harvest in the Southeastern District Mainland Salmon Management Plan and the Post-June Salmon Management Plan for the South Alaska Peninsula.
- 3. Citation of regulations: 5 AAC 01.220, 5 AAC 09.360 and 5 AAC 09.366.
- 4. Department of Law file number (if any):
  - o unavailable
- 5. Reason for proposed actions: Other: Establish fishing opportunity in the Yukon River and address conservation concerns for Chignik Lake sockeye salmon, each of which cannot be adopted within the normal regulatory schedule of the Alaska Board of Fisheries
- 6. Appropriation/Allocation: Natural Resources and all RDUs
- 7. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding: These actions are not expected to require any additional costs in FY2018 or in subsequent years.
- 8. The name of the contact person for the regulations:

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9. The origin of the proposed action:

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10. Date: July 23, 2018 Prepared by:

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