

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-4-33-13

Issued at: Kodiak, Wednesday,
July 3, 2013.

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., Monday, July 8, 2013

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Thursday,
July 25, 2013, unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order supersedes Emergency Order No. 2-KS-4-26-13. This emergency order closes sport fishing for king salmon in the Ayakulik River drainage. King salmon caught incidentally may not be removed from the water and must be released immediately. In addition, the use of bait is prohibited in the Ayakulik River drainage. This emergency order is effective from 12:01 a.m., Monday, July 8 through 11:59 p.m. Thursday, July 25, 2013.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 64.022 Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for the Kodiak area. (b)(11) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m., Monday, July 8, 2013 through 11:59 p.m., Thursday, July 25, 2013.

5 AAC 64.022 Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for the Kodiak area.

(b)(11) in the Ayakulik River drainage from July 8 through July 25, sport fishing for king salmon is closed. King salmon caught incidentally be may not be removed from the water and must be released immediately. Only one unbaited, single hook, artificial lure may be used in the Ayakulik River drainage.

Cora Campbell,
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Donn Tracy,
Kodiak Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The biological escapement goal (BEG) for Ayakulik River king salmon is 4,000 to 7,000 fish. Despite previous management actions this year to reduce king salmon mortality during the inriver sport fishery, the total weir count on July 2 of 1,963 fish indicates further measures are

necessary to further reduce king salmon mortality. Therefore, the king salmon sport fishery is closed and only one unbaited, single hook, artificial lure may be used in the Ayakulik River drainage.

PREVIOUS EMERGENCY ORDERS AFFECTED:

This emergency order supersedes Emergency Order No. 2-KS-4-26-13 issued June 27, 2013 which restricted the Ayakulik king salmon fishery to non retention.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 2 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218; Alaska Department of Fish and Game Kodiak Area Office; and the Alaska Department of Public Safety Fish and Wildlife Protection Kodiak Office.