

PERSONAL USE FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 3-RS-03-13

Issued at: Glennallen, Tuesday June 11, 2013

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Monday June 17, 2013

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. August 31, 2013,
unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order amends the schedule for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River for the period June 17 – June 23, 2013. The Chitina Subdistrict will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday, June 17 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 23. In addition, this emergency order establishes the weekly period when a supplemental permit for 10 additional sockeye salmon will be valid for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River.

REGULATION:

Consistent with the COPPER RIVER PERSONAL USE DIP NET SALMON FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN, 5 AAC 77.591, the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River District will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday June 17 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday June 23. During this period an additional 10 sockeye salmon may be harvested by a permit holder who has already harvested their original permit limit.

Cora Campbell
Commissioner

by delegation to:



Mark A. Somerville
Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

During June 3 – June 9, there were 203,791 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 114,751 salmon, which results in a surplus of 89,040 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous five-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon available to maintain 168 hours of fishing time during the week of June 17–June 23. In addition, an excess of more than 50,000 salmon above the preseason sonar projection for this period allows a supplemental harvest of 10 additional sockeye salmon to those permit holders who have already harvested their original permit limit.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region III Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 1300 College Road, Fairbanks, AK 99701, (907) 459-7357 and the Glennallen Area Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, PO Box 47, Glennallen, AK 99588, (907) 822-3309.