# SPORT FISHING Emergency Order

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

# ALASKA DEPARTMENT **OF FISH & GAME**

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-4-18-14	ssued at:	Kodiak,	Wednesday
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June 11, 2014

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 12, 2014 Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Wednesday,

December 31, 2014, unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order.

### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order increases the bag and possession limit in the Ayakulik River drainage for sockeye salmon 20 inches or longer. Beginning at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 12, the bag limit for sockeye salmon in the Ayakulik River drainage is 10 per day, 10 in possession.

### **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 added by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 12, 2014 through 11:59 p.m., Wednesday, December 31, 2014:

### 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 the limit for sockeye salmon 20 inches or greater in length is 10 per day, 10 in possession;

	Cora Campbell,
	Commissioner
By delegation to:	
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### **JUSTIFICATION:**

The escapement goal for sockeye salmon into the Ayakulik River drainage is 140,000 to 280,000 fish. As of June 8, the weir count was 96,893 sockeye salmon. Based on historical run timing, about 17% of the sockeye salmon escapement is achieved by this date. The department expects the final weir count to exceed the escapement goal for this stock. To provide additional sport fish harvest opportunity as provided for in 5 AAC 75.003 (2) (A), the bag and possession limit for sockeye salmon, 20 inches or greater in length, in the Ayakulik River drainage is increased to 10 fish.

## **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.