

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-4-30-14

Issued at: Kodiak, Thursday, June 26, 2014

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., Saturday, June 28, 2014

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Friday,  
August 01, 2014, unless superseded by  
subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes sport fishing for king salmon in Monashka Creek drainage and in the waters of Monashka Bay shoreward of a straight line extending from Spruce Cape to Termination Point. This closure prohibits all sport fishing, including catch-and-release fishing, for king salmon. King salmon may not be possessed or retained; king salmon caught incidentally while fishing for other species may not be removed from the water and must be released immediately. In addition, only one unbaited, single hook artificial lure may be used in the waters of Monashka Creek, which otherwise remain open to sport fishing. This emergency order is effective from 12:01 a.m., Saturday, June 28, 2014 through 11:59 p.m. Friday, August 01, 2014.

### REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 64.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for the Kodiak area. (b)(14) are added by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m., Friday, June 20, 2014 through 11:59 p.m., Friday, July 25, 2014.

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

(b)(14) in all freshwaters of the Monashka Creek drainage, and all saltwaters of Monashka Bay shoreward of a straight line extending from Spruce Cape to Termination Point, , sport fishing for king salmon is closed. King salmon may not be possessed or retained; 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 freshwaters of Monashka Creek drainage which remain open to sport fishing for species other than king salmon.

Cora Campbell,  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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Donn Tracy,  
Kodiak Area Management Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The Monashka Creek drainage supports an enhanced run of king salmon. King salmon returning to Monashka Creek are used by the department as a brood source to provide annual releases of hatchery king salmon in Monashka Creek and two other streams located on the Kodiak road system. The department's annual broodstock goal is a minimum of 50 spawning female and 50 spawning male king salmon; this level of broodstock is needed to sustain current production levels and sport fishing opportunities on the Kodiak road system.

Each year since 2004, at least 50% of the broodstock collection goal has been met as of June 25. So far this year, no adult king salmon are available from Monashka Creek for broodstock collection. In order to ensure brood stock needs are met, it is necessary to close the 2014 sport fishery in the Monashka Creek drainage and in Monashka Bay. Harvest opportunity may be restored by subsequent emergency order if king salmon returns to Monashka Creek indicate that brood source collection goals will be achieved.

**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.