

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-KS-C-16-16

Issued at Petersburg, Tuesday,
May 31, 2016.

Effective 12:01 a.m. Thursday,
Date: June 2, 2016

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Friday,
July 15, 2016 unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order rescinds emergency order 01-KS-C-10-16 issued April 28, 2016, and removes special provisions enacted to increase sport fishing opportunity for Stikine River king salmon within District 8. With the removal of these special provisions; king salmon bag, possession, annual limits and allowable gear will revert to those regulations described in emergency order 01-KS-R-06-16 consistent with the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan (5AAC 47.055).

REGULATION:

Emergency order 01-KS-C-10-16 is rescinded.

Sam Cotten
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Patrick Fowler
Petersburg/Wrangell Area Management Biologist
Division of Sport Fish

JUSTIFICATION:

The 2016 preseason forecast for Stikine River king salmon was calculated as 33,900 large adults, indicating a U.S. allowable catch as determined by the Transboundary Technical Committee of the Pacific Salmon Commission. In accordance with the Stikine River King Salmon Management Plan (5AAC 47.057), emergency order 01-KS-C-10-16 was issued to increase sport fishing opportunity in District 8 given the presence of an allowable catch. Inseason estimates of Stikine River king salmon indicate a total return lower than the preseason forecast and an allowable catch no longer exists. Under the provisions of the Stikine River King Salmon Management Plan, 5AAC 47.057 (c), when no allowable catch exists for Stikine River king salmon the king salmon sport fishery in District 8 will be managed according to the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan. Southeast Alaska regional king salmon regulations for the 2016 season have been issued in emergency order 01-KS-R-06-16.

Previous Emergency Orders Affected:

This emergency order rescinds emergency order 1-KS-C-10-16. Emergency Order 01-KS-R-06-16, establishing king salmon regulations for Southeast Alaska including the water of District 8, remains in effect.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 1 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, P. O. Box 110024, Juneau, AK 99811, (907) 465-4270 and at the Petersburg Area Office, 16 Sing Lee Alley, P.O. Box 667, Petersburg, AK 99833, (907) 772-5228.