

PERSONAL USE FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 3-RS-01-16

Issued at: Glennallen, Thursday, June 2, 2016

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Tuesday, June 7, 2016

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. August 31, 2015,
unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order opens the Chitina Subdistrict for a 144-hour period during the week of June 6th. This fishing period and **tentative openings after this period are listed in the schedule below**. Additional emergency orders will implement and likely change this schedule based on actual numbers of fish passing the Miles Lake Sonar. After August 31, the fishery will remain open, by regulation, through September 30.

Salmon may be taken in the Chitina Subdistrict during the following time periods as established by emergency order:

Tuesday, June 07, 12:01 a.m.	through	Sunday, June 12, 11:59 p.m.
Monday, June 13, 12:01 a.m.	through	Sunday, June 19, 11:59 p.m.
Monday, June 20, 12:01 a.m.	through	Sunday, June 26, 11:59 p.m.
Monday, June 27, 12:01 a.m.	through	Sunday, July 03, 11:59 p.m.
Monday, July 04, 12:01 a.m.	through	Tuesday, July 05, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 07, 12:00 p.m.	through	Sunday, July 10, 11:59 p.m.
Wednesday, July 13, 12:01 a.m.	through	Sunday, July 17, 11:59 p.m.
Wednesday, July 20, 6:00 p.m.	through	Sunday, July 24, 11:59 p.m.
Thursday, July 28, 8:00 a.m.	through	Sunday, July 31, 11:59 p.m.
Tuesday, August 02, 6:00 p.m.	through	Sunday, August 07, 11:59 p.m.
Tuesday, August 09, 8:00 a.m.	through	Sunday, August 14, 11:59 p.m.
Monday, August 15, 12:01 a.m.	through	Wednesday, August 31, 11:59 p.m.

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. Tuesday, June 7 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 12.

Sam Cotten
Commissioner

by delegation to:


Mark A. Somerville
Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Copper River personal use fishery is managed under direction outlined in the *Copper River Personal Use Dip Net Salmon Fishery Management Plan* (5 AAC 77.591). The plan establishes the season from June 7 through September 30, and directs the department to establish weekly periods based on Miles Lake sonar counts. During May 23 – 29, there were 91,646 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 94,977 salmon, which results in a deficit of 3,331 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 144 hours of fishing time during the week of June 6 – June 12.

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.