

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-KS-E-06-17

Issued at Juneau, Monday,  
March 6, 2017

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Saturday,  
April 15, 2017

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m.  
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 unless  
superseded by subsequent emergency  
order.

**EXPLANATION:** This emergency order prohibits sport fishing for king salmon in the salt waters of District 11, District 15 south of the latitude of Sherman Rock and District 12 north of the latitude of Point Couverden.

**REGULATION:** The provisions of 5 AAC 47.021(*I*) are added. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m. Saturday, April 15 through 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, 2017:

**5 AAC 47.021. Special provisions for seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the salt waters of Southeast Alaska Area.**

(*I*) In the Juneau vicinity, in the waters of District 11, Sections 12B, 15B and 15C as described in 5 AAC 33.200:

(1) sport fishing for king salmon is closed,

Sam Cotten  
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Daniel J. Teske  
Juneau Area Management Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:** Taku River king salmon production is very low at this time. The 2017 preseason forecast for the total terminal run indicates the lower end of the escapement goal is unlikely to be achieved. The preseason forecast is 13,300 and the escapement goal is 19,000–36,000, therefore it is necessary to restrict all fisheries that harvest this stock. Thus, retention of king salmon will be prohibited in the marine waters of District 11, Sections 12B, 15B and 15C. This time and area closure is directly correlated to when and where Taku River king salmon are present.

**DISTRIBUTION:** The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 1 office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, P.O. Box 110024, Juneau, AK 99811, (907) 465-4270.