

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-4-47-18

Issued at: Kodiak, Monday, July 30, 2018

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Tuesday, July 31, 2018

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Monday,
December 31, 2018, unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order rescinds Emergency Order 2-RS-4-35-18, issued July 10, 2018. Regulatory provisions for the Saltery Cove drainage sockeye salmon revert to those embodied under 5 AAC 64.022(b)(5). This emergency order restores the bag and possession limit for sockeye salmon in the Saltery Cove drainage from two fish to five fish, effective 12:01 a.m. Tuesday, July 31 through 11:59 p.m. Monday December 31, 2018.

REGULATION:

Emergency Order 2-RS-4-35-18 is rescinded.

Sam Cotten,
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Tyler Polum,
Kodiak Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The escapement goal for sockeye salmon into the Saltery Cove drainage is 15,000 to 35,000 fish. As of July 29, 2018, the weir count was 15,048 sockeye salmon. Based on historical run timing, 80% of the run has occurred and escapement goals will be achieved even with increased harvest. Therefore, it is warranted to restore the bag limit to five fish to allow additional sportfishing and harvest opportunity.

DISTRIBUTION:

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