

PERSONAL USE

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 3-RS-I-11-23

Issued at: Glennallen, Wednesday,
June 7, 2023

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Thursday, June 15, 2023

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. August 31,
2023, unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order opens the Chitina Subdistrict for a 96-hour period on June 15, 2023. This fishing period (in bold) and future tentative fishing periods are listed in the schedule below. Additional emergency orders will implement or 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:

Fishing periods			Number of hours
Start		End	
Thursday, June 15, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, June 18, 11:59 p.m.	96
Monday, June 19, 12:01 a.m.	–	Tuesday, June 20, 11:59 p.m.	48
Thursday, June 22, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, June 25, 11:59 p.m.	96
Monday, June 26, 12:01 a.m.	–	Monday, June 26, 11:59 p.m.	24
Thursday, June 29, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, July 02, 11:59 p.m.	96
Monday, July 03, 12:01 a.m.	–	Tuesday, July 04, 11:59 p.m.	48
Friday, July 07, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, July 09, 11:59 p.m.	72
Thursday, July 13, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, July 16, 11:59 p.m.	96
Thursday, July 20, 12:00 p.m.	–	Sunday, July 23, 11:59 p.m.	84
Monday, July 24, 12:01 a.m.	–	Tuesday, July 25, 12:00 p.m.	36
Thursday, July 27, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, July 30, 11:59 p.m.	96
Monday, July 31, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, August 06, 11:59 p.m.	168
Monday, August 07, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, August 13, 11:59 p.m.	168
Monday, August 14, 12:01 a.m.	–	Sunday, August 20, 11:59 p.m.	Continuous

REGULATION:

Consistent with 5 AAC 77.001(b) and 5 AAC 77.591 *Copper River Personal Use Dip Net Salmon Fishery Management Plan*, 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. Thursday, June 15 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 18.

Douglas Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to: 
Mark A. Somerville
Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Copper River personal use fishery is managed under direction of 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 29 – June 4, there were 79,851 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 111,456 salmon, which results in a deficit of 31,605 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous three-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon available to allow 96 hours of fishing time during the week of June 12 – 18, a reduction of 48 hours from the preseason schedule.

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.