

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-SS-6-35-02

Issued at Cordova, Friday, September
20, 2002

Effective 12:01 a.m., Saturday,
Date: September 21, 2002

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., May 31, 2003,
unless superseded by subsequent emergency
order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order allows snagging in the Cordova Terminal Harvest Area, defined as all salt waters north of a line from Odiak Slough to Stump Point and south of a line from Orca Cannery to Knot Point, including the waters of Fleming Spit lagoon and creek. The bag limit for salmon (other than king salmon) is 6 per day and 12 in possession. In this Terminal Harvest Area, the entire bag and possession limit may be coho salmon.

This regulatory change becomes effective at 12:01 a.m. Saturday, September 21, 2002.

REGULATION:

5 AAC 55.022. WATERS; SEASONS; BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS; AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS. are superceded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order the following provisions are effective:

5 AAC 55.022. WATERS; SEASONS; BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS; AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

(4) (A) Cordova: All salt waters north of a line from Odiak Slough to Stump Point and south of a line from Orca Cannery to Knot Point. The bag and possession limit for salmon (other than king salmon) is 6 per day and 12 in possession. Snagging is prohibited from June 1 through September 20. Shrimp may be taken only from April 15 through September 15.

(4) (H) Fleming Spit Creek. Snagging is allowed in all fresh waters of Fleming Spit Creek from September 21 through May 31.

Frank Rue,
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Matthew G. Miller,
Assistant Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Department staff surveyed the Fleming Spit area on September 19, 2002, and observed approximately 750 coho salmon in the lagoon. These hatchery-produced fish have escaped through existing fisheries to the designated Terminal Harvest Area in numbers that exceed broodstock needs. There are no competing user groups. Run timing and surplus fish justify opening these waters to snagging to allow full utilization of these hatchery salmon.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 2 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218.