

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-4-10-03

Issued at: Kodiak, Friday June 27,  
2003.

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., Saturday, June 28, 2003

Expiration Date: December 31, 2003, unless  
superseded by subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order rescinds Emergency Order No. 2-KS-4-06-03, issued June 18, 2003, which closed the Karluk River drainage to sport fishing for king salmon and prohibited the use of bait downstream of Karluk Lake outlet.

By rescinding Emergency Order No. 2-KS-4-06-03, the entire Karluk River drainage will reopen to sport fishing for king salmon. The daily bag and possession limit for king salmon will revert back to regulations established in Emergency Order 2-KS-4-04-03, which is one per day and in possession for king salmon over 20 inches; 10 per day/10 in possession for king salmon under 20 inches. Bait restrictions will also revert back to original regulations, which allows the use of bait.

### REGULATION:

#### **5 AAC 64.022. WATERS; SEASONS; BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS; AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS.**

(a) (1) (A) (iii) in the Karluk River drainage, including Karluk Lagoon, from 12:01 a.m., June 15 through December 31, 2003, the bag and possession limit for king salmon 20 inches or greater in length is one per day and one in possession. Karluk Lagoon includes all waters inland of a line between the extremities of the lagoon outlet stream banks at mean low tide.

(b) (1) (E) The Ayakulik and Karluk River drainages are closed to sport fishing for king salmon from July 26 – December 31.

Kevin C. Duffy,  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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Leonard Schwarz,  
Kodiak Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

King salmon weir counts on the Karluk River improved last week. As of June 26, 3,519 king salmon have been counted through the weir, assuring that the escapement goal of 3,600 – 7,300 will be achieved, even if further limited sport fishing harvest occurs. For this reason, the Karluk River drainage will re-open to king salmon fishing, effective 12:01 a.m., Saturday, June 28.

DISTRIBUTION:

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