

# PERSONAL USE FISHERY

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No.** 3-RS-09-04

**Issued at:** Glennallen, Tuesday, July 13, 2004

**Effective Date:** 12:01 A.M. Monday, July 19, 2004

**Expiration Date:** December 31, 2004, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order amends the schedule for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River for the period July 19 – August 31, 2004. The Chitina Subdistrict will be open from 12:01 A.M. Monday July 19 until 11:59 P.M. Tuesday August 31.

### REGULATION:

Consistent with the COPPER RIVER PERSONAL USE DIP NET SALMON FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN, 5 AAC 77.591, the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River area will be open from 12:01 A.M. Monday July 19 through 11:59 P.M. Tuesday August 31, 2004.

Kevin C. Duffy  
Commissioner

by delegation to: \_\_\_\_\_

Tom Taube  
Area Management Biologist

### JUSTIFICATION:

During July 5 – July 11, there were 53,091 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The pre-season projection for this period is 46,316 salmon, an excess of 6,775 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing, the previous three-year average harvest and participation rates, and the projected sonar escapement indicate sufficient numbers of salmon available to allow continuous fishing through August 31. Depending on actual numbers of salmon passing the Miles Lake sonar, future openings may be decreased, accordingly.

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