

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-4-16-07

Issued at: Kodiak, Wednesday, June 20, 2007

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 21, 2007

Expiration Date: 11:59 pm, Sunday, July 15, 2007, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order doubles the bag and possession limit in the Karluk River drainage for sockeye salmon over 20 inches in length. Beginning 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 21 through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, July 15 the bag and possession limit for sockeye salmon 20 inches or greater in length in the Karluk River drainage will be 10 fish daily, 20 in possession

### REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 64.022 WATERS; SEASONS; BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS; AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR THE FRESH AND SALT WATERS OF THE KODIAK AREA. (c) (1) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order the following provisions are effective beginning 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 21, 2007, through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, July 15, 2007:

#### **5 AAC 64.022. WATERS; SEASONS; BAG, POSSESSION, AND SIZE LIMITS; AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR THE FRESH AND SALT WATERS OF THE KODIAK AREA.**

(c) (1) for salmon, other than king salmon, 20 inches or greater in length, the bag limit is five fish and 10 fish in possession; except in the Karluk River drainage, from June 21 through July 15, the bag limit for sockeye salmon 20 inches or greater in length is 10 fish and 20 in possession.

Denby S. Lloyd,  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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Leonard Schwarz  
Kodiak Area Management Biologist

### JUSTIFICATION:

The escapement goal for the early return of sockeye salmon into the Karluk drainage is a range of 100,000 to 210,000 fish. As of June 18, 178,000 sockeye salmon have been counted through the Karluk weir. Based on historic return timing, the upper end of the escapement goal will be exceeded in 2007.

To provide additional sport fish harvest opportunity as provided for in 5 AAC 75.003 (2) (A), the bag and possession limit in the Karluk River drainage will be doubled to allow for an increased harvest of sockeye salmon to occur. This emergency order will be in effect beginning Thursday, June 21 through Sunday July 15.

**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.