

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-4-19-09

Issued at: Kodiak, Tuesday
June 30, 2009

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., Thursday
July 2, 2009

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Thursday,
December 31, 2009, unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the McLees Lake drainage to fishing for sockeye salmon. This emergency order is effective from 12:01 a.m., Thursday, July 2, 2009, through 11:59 p.m., Thursday, December 31, 2009.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 65.010 Fishing seasons for Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands Area. (h) are added by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m., Thursday, July 2, 2009 through 11:59 p.m., Thursday, December 31, 2009

5 AAC 65.010 Fishing seasons for Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands Area.

(h) the McLees Lake drainage is closed to fishing for sockeye salmon. Sockeye salmon may not be retained or possessed. Sockeye salmon caught may not be removed from the water and must be released immediately.

Denby S. Lloyd,
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Matt G. Miller,
Regional Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The escapement range for sockeye salmon in the McLees Lake drainage is 8,660 – 101,800 fish. As of June 28 the weir count was 512 sockeye salmon, which is the lowest count on record for that date. In order to conserve the sockeye salmon return to McLees Lake, it is justified to close the recreational fishery.

DISTRIBUTION:

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