

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-1-20-10

Issued at: Soldotna, Wednesday, June 16,
2010

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 17, 2010

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Sunday, June
30, 2010, unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order rescinds Emergency Order No. 2-KS-1-13-10, issued at Soldotna on Thursday June 3, 2010. This emergency order for the Kasilof River drainage allows the retention of naturally-produced king salmon on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays only beginning 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 17, 2010. A naturally-produced king salmon is a king salmon with an adipose fin intact.

REGULATION:

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-1-16-10 is rescinded.

Denby S. Lloyd,
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Robert N. Begich

Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

As provided by 5 AAC 57.160 Kenai River and Kasilof River Early-run King Salmon Management Plan (c), the department shall manage the Kasilof River early-run king salmon sport and guided sport fisheries to achieve the sustainable escapement goal, to provide reasonable harvest opportunities over the entire run while ensuring adequate escapement of naturally-produced king salmon, and to minimize the effects of conservation actions for the Kenai River on the Kasilof River. Allowable harvest of naturally-produced king salmon has been prohibited for 5 days in June or approximately 38% of the number of days in June naturally-produced fish may be retained under normal regulations. Catch rates of king salmon at Kasilof River are increasing slightly over the past week and an entry pattern of king salmon into Kasilof River that resembles the Kenai River run is anticipated. Therefore, it is warranted to reopen the Kasilof River to provide for retention of naturally-produced early-run Kasilof River king salmon.

PREVIOUS EMERGENCY ORDERS AFFECTED:

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-1-13-10, which closed the Kasilof River drainage to retention of naturally-produced king 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.