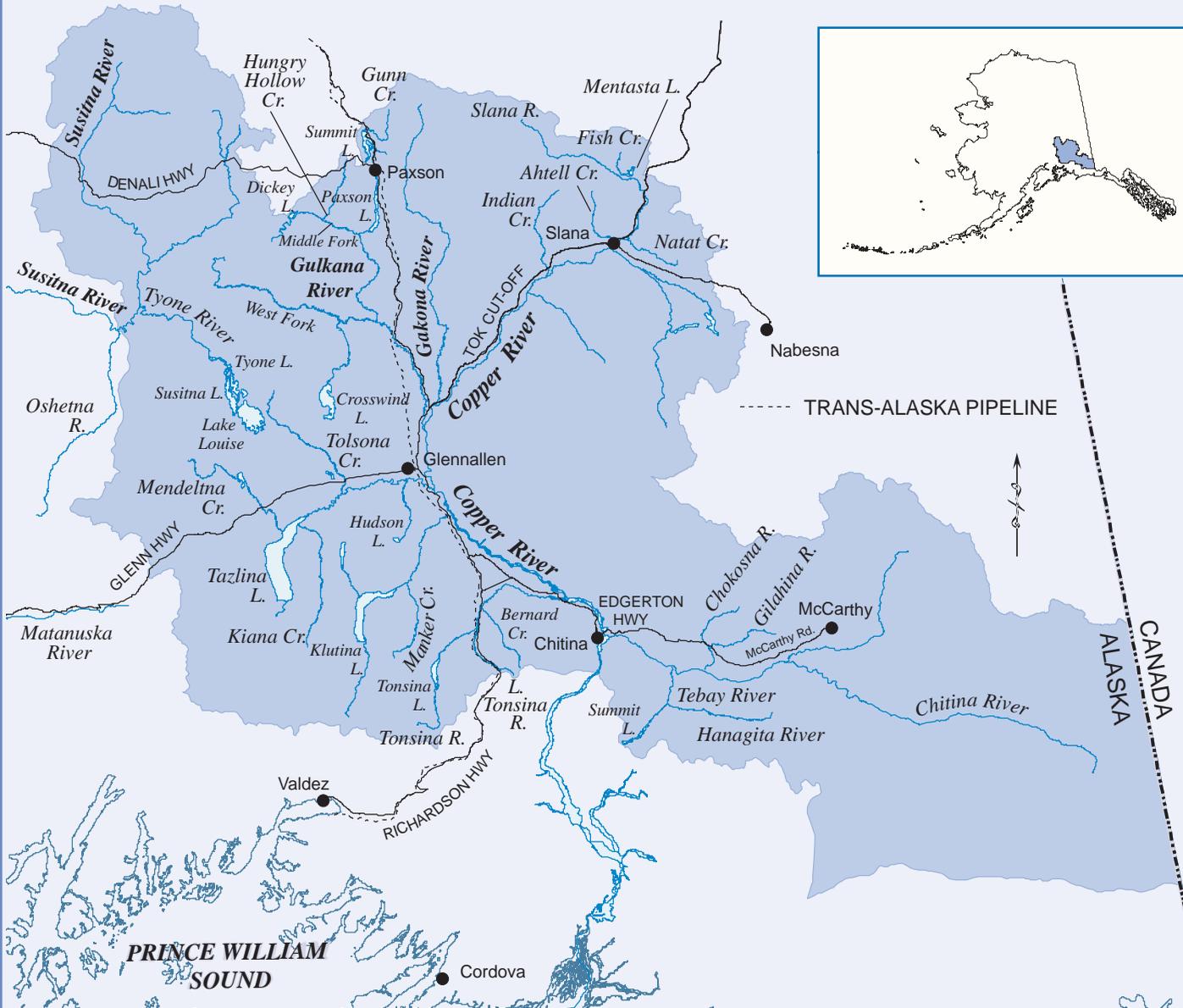


UPPER COPPER/UPPER SUSITNA DRAINAGES



STOCKED LAKES IN THE UPPER COPPER/UPPER SUSITNA AREA

Arizona	Round
Buffalo	Ryan
Connor	Sculpin
Crater	Silver
Dick	South Jans
DJ	Squirrel
Gergie	Creek Pit
John	Strelna
Junction	Tex Smith
Kathleen	Three Mile
Little Crater	Tolsona Lake
Little Junction	Tolsona Mountain
North Jans	Two Mile
Old Road	Van
Peanut	
Pippin	



Regulations for stocked lakes in the UCUS area are on page 26 ▶

Bag, possession, and size limits GENERAL REGULATIONS

Inclusive waters: All waters and tributaries of the Copper River upstream from a line between the south bank of Haley Creek and the south bank of Canyon Creek in Wood Canyon, and all waters and tributaries of the upper Susitna River drainage upstream from the confluence of the Oshetna River, but *excluding* the Oshetna River.

General seasons and limits for these waters are listed below. Under general regulations, treble hooks and bait are permitted (see sport fishing gear—Methods and Means, page 5); **however, please note** there are special bait and gear restrictions in flowing waters of the Upper Copper River drainage (see special regulations below).

Special regulations for individual water bodies appear on pages 23–30. Unless otherwise noted, possession limits are the same as bag limits.

Species	Daily bag, possession, and size limits
King salmon	
– 20" or longer	1 per day, 1 in possession
– less than 20"	10 per day, 10 in possession
Other salmon	
–over 16"	3 per day, 3 in possession
–16" and less	10 per day, 10 in possession
Arctic char/Dolly Varden	10 per day, 10 in possession
Lake trout	2 per day, 2 in possession
Rainbow/Steelhead trout	2 per day, 2 in possession
	(only 1 fish 20" or longer)
Arctic grayling	5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit
Burbot	5 per day, 5 in possession
Other fish (including Northern pike)	no bag or possession limits

GENERAL FISHING SEASONS

Fishing season is open the entire year for all species except king salmon, and any exceptions listed below under Special Regulations on pages 22–30.

King salmon open season January 1–July 19.

UPPER COPPER/UPPER SUSITNA DRAINAGES SPECIAL REGULATIONS

Ice houses:

All ice houses not removed from the ice at the end of a day's fishing must be registered and a permit obtained from ADF&G. Each registered ice house must have its permit number displayed on one side and on its roof in distinguishable numbers at least 12 inches high. Ice houses must be removed from all water bodies by April 30.

SPECIAL REGULATIONS—(cont'd)

The following are exceptions to the seasons, method & means, and bag and possession limits shown in the General Regulations at left.

■ = bait/gear restrictions

Bait and gear restrictions in the Upper Copper River drainage:

- Only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial lures may be used in flowing waters of the Upper Copper River drainage, except as specified by special regulations in the Klutina, Gulkana, Tonsina, and mainstem Copper River drainages.

Spears, bow and arrow—for whitefish and suckers:

- Unless otherwise provided, **whitefish** may be taken with spears or bow and arrow October 1–March 31. Unless otherwise provided, **suckers** may be taken with spears or bow and arrow year-round. Arrows must have a barbed tip and be attached by a line to the bow ('bow' means a long bow, recurve bow, compound bow, or crossbow).

Setlines—for burbot:

- Use of setlines **is prohibited, except** in the Copper River mainstem, in flowing waters of east bank Copper River tributaries, and in flowing waters of west bank Copper River tributaries that are downstream of the Richardson Highway and Glenn Highway (Tok Cutoff), **excluding** the Gulkana River. **Lines fished for burbot in lakes and flowing waters not referenced above of the Upper Copper and Upper Susitna river drainages must be closely attended (see Definitions, p. 7).**
- Burbot may be taken in the mainstem Copper River, and in that portion of its tributaries described above, with more than one line and hook if the total aggregate number of hooks used on setlines, closely attended gear, and ice fishing gear (as defined in 5 AAC 75.020–021) does not exceed 5 (five). The hooks must be single hooks with gap larger than 3/4 inch between point and shank; each hook must be set to rest on the river bottom; each line must be identified with the angler's name and address, and each line must be physically inspected at least once during each 24-hour period.

King salmon—annual limit:

The annual limit for king salmon, 20 inches or longer, is four (4) fish from the Upper Copper River and the Upper Susitna River drainage regulatory area.

King salmon—harvest record requirements:

All anglers sport fishing for king salmon 20 inches or longer in the Upper Copper River/Upper Susitna River drainage regulatory area must possess a current year's nontransferable harvest record. Refer to page 4 for harvest record requirements.

King salmon—freshwater guiding restriction:

One who is engaged in freshwater sport fish guiding is allowed to sport fish in the Copper River or its tributaries while a client is present or within the guide's control or responsibility, *but that guide may not retain a king salmon while guiding.*

New as of 2009

All salmon—landing requirements:

Any salmon removed from the water must be retained and becomes a part of the bag limit of the person that originally hooked the fish. **No one may remove from the water a salmon they intend to release.**

SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL DRAINAGES

Unless listed below, seasons, bag, and possession limits are shown under GENERAL REGULATIONS on page 22.

CHITINA RIVER DRAINAGE

King salmon: Open season July 1–August 10

Chokosna River Closed to king salmon fishing

Lakina River and all flowing waters within ¼-mile radius of its confluence with the Chitina River:

Closed to king salmon fishing

New as of 2009

Gilahina River and all flowing waters within ¼-mile radius of its confluence with the Chitina River:

Closed to king salmon fishing

New as of 2009

COPPER RIVER DRAINAGE—downstream of the upstream bank of the Klutina River

King salmon: Open season July 1–August 10

New as of 2009

COPPER RIVER—mainstem only

- Bait and artificial lures permitted, including treble hooks.

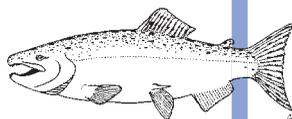
COPPER RIVER—mainstem and flowing waters of east bank Copper River tributaries, and in flowing waters of west bank Copper River tributaries downstream of the Richardson Highway and Glenn Highway (Tok Cutoff), **excluding** the Gulkana River:

- Burbot may be taken in the mainstem Copper River with more than one line and hook, as specified on page 22 under “Setlines—for burbot.”

FISH CREEK (tributary to Mentasta Lake) Closed to salmon fishing



If you fish in catch-and-release waters or intend to release your fish, please use barbless hooks or crimp the barbs on your barbed hooks.



GAKONA RIVER—clearwater tributaries, including all flowing waters within ¼-mile radius of their confluence with the Gakona River

Closed to king salmon fishing

New as of 2009

GULKANA RIVER DRAINAGE—The following regulations apply to all waters of the Gulkana River drainage, unless specified otherwise in the Gulkana River Drainage Specific Waters Regulations.

- Entire year: Only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial lures may be used.

Rainbow/steelhead trout:

No retention allowed. All rainbow/steelhead trout caught must be released immediately.

Arctic grayling: 5 per day, 5 in possession. **Only one 14” or longer** may be possessed or retained as part of the daily bag and possession limit. See special regulations for waters upstream of Paxson Lake (waters of Paxson Lake within a 100 yd radius of the mouth of the East Fork, waters of the East Fork Gulkana River, Summit Lake, and Gunn Creek drainage).

GULKANA RIVER DRAINAGE SPECIFIC WATERS REGULATIONS:

See maps on pages 28-29.

Gulkana River mainstem—downstream of the downstream edge of the Richardson Highway Bridge to an ADF&G marker about 500 yd downstream of its confluence with the Copper River:

- June 1–July 31: Only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial flies allowed, with gap between point and shank that does not exceed ¾ inch. Additional weight may only be used 18 inches or more ahead of fly. A bead fished on the line above a bare hook or a single bare hook is not an artificial fly.
- August 1–May 31: Only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial lures may be used.

Gulkana River mainstem—upstream of the upstream edge of the Richardson Highway Bridge to an ADF&G marker 7½ miles upstream of the West Fork confluence:

- June 1–July 19: Bait and artificial lures are permitted, including treble hooks.
- July 20–May 31: Only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial lures may be used.

West Fork Gulkana River—flowing waters upstream from an ADF&G marker ½ mile upstream of the confluence of the West Fork and mainstem Gulkana:

- August 1–December 31: The bag and possession limit for sockeye salmon is 6 per day, 6 in possession. The bag and possession limit for the remainder of the year is 3 (three) sockeye salmon.

Crosswind Lake:

Lake trout: Entire year, 1 per day, 1 in possession, **minimum size limit of 24”**. **All lake trout less than 24” must be released immediately.**

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UPPER COPPER/UPPER SUSITNA SPECIAL REGULATIONS (cont'd)

GULKANA RIVER DRAINAGE (cont'd)

Waters of the Middle Fork Gulkana River:

Closed to king salmon fishing

All waters of Twelvemile Creek, Hungry Hollow Creek, including Tenmile Lake, and the Middle Fork Gulkana River—from the outlet of Dickey Lake to an ADF&G marker three miles downstream:

Closed to king salmon fishing

Closed to sport fishing for all species April 15–June 14

All flowing waters from 100 yds upstream from the narrows at the outlet of Paxson Lake, downstream to the confluence of the Middle Fork:

King salmon: Closed to king salmon fishing

Other salmon: Open season September 10–December 31

Paxson Lake—100 yd upstream from the narrows at the lake outlet to within a 100-yd radius of the mouth of the East Fork of the Gulkana River at the north end of Paxson Lake:

■ April 16–October 31: Only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial lures may be used.

■ November 1–April 15: **Single hooks** only, bait may be used.

King salmon: Closed to king salmon fishing

Other salmon: Open season July 20–December 31

Lake trout: Entire year, 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit.

Waters of Paxson Lake within a 100-yd radius of the mouth of the East Fork:

■ April 16–October 31: Only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial lures may be used.

■ November 1–April 15: **Single hooks** only, bait may be used.

Salmon: Closed to salmon fishing

Arctic grayling: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession. **Only one 14" or longer** may be possessed or retained as part of the daily bag and possession limit.

Lake trout: Entire year, 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit.

Waters of the East Fork Gulkana River—from the north end of Paxson Lake upstream to Summit Lake, including Fish Creek and Fish Lakes:

Salmon: Closed to salmon fishing

Arctic grayling: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession. **Only one 14" or longer** may be possessed or retained as part of the daily bag and possession limit.

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GULKANA RIVER DRAINAGE (cont'd)

Summit Lake—from its outlet to a 100-yd radius of the mouth of Gunn Creek:

■ April 16–October 31: Only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial lures may be used.

■ November 1–April 15: **Single hooks** only, bait may be used.

King salmon: Closed to king salmon fishing

Other salmon: Open season July 20–December 31

Burbot: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Arctic grayling: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession. **Only one 14" or longer** may be possessed or retained as part of the daily bag and possession limit.

Lake trout: Entire year, 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit.

Gunn Creek drainage—and waters within a 100-yd radius of its mouth at Summit Lake:

King salmon: Closed to king salmon fishing

Other salmon: Open season August 1–December 31

Burbot: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Arctic grayling: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession. **Only one 14" or longer** may be possessed or retained as part of the daily bag and possession limit.

Lake trout: Entire year, 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit.

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DO NOT
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FISH



IT IS UNLAWFUL to possess, transport and release ANY live fish or live fish eggs unless you have a permit issued by the Commissioner of Fish and Game. Release of exotic or non-native fish into Alaskan waters can be disastrous to native Alaskan fish stocks. Lakes you may think are isolated from other lakes and streams can have intermittent connections to other systems. Do not expose our Alaskan fish stocks to this threat.

NORTHERN PIKE are not native to the Upper Copper/Upper Susitna drainages. If you catch a northern pike in Upper Copper/Upper Susitna waters, please kill the fish, note the capture date and location, and bring it to the nearest ADF&G office for documentation.

UPPER COPPER/UPPER SUSITNA SPECIAL REGULATIONS (cont'd)

INDIAN CREEK (Copper River drainage) and all flowing waters within ¼-mile radius of the confluence with the Copper River

Closed to king salmon fishing

New as of 2009

KLUTINA RIVER DRAINAGE

See map on page 27.

- Entire year: Bait and artificial lures are permitted, including treble hooks (see Methods and Means on page 5).

Klutina Lake and all flowing waters entering Klutina Lake:

King salmon: *Closed to king salmon fishing*

Other salmon: Open season January 1–July 19

Manker Creek and all flowing waters within ¼-mile radius of its confluence with the Klutina River:

King salmon: *Closed to king salmon fishing*

Other salmon: Open season January 1–July 19

New as of 2009

All flowing waters upstream of ADF&G marker at Mile 19.2 Klutina Lake Road, to Klutina Lake:

King salmon: Open season July 1–July 19

Other salmon: Open season January 1–July 19

New as of 2009

All flowing waters downstream of the ADF&G marker at Mile 19.2 Klutina Lake Road, to the ADF&G marker at Mile 13.0 Klutina Lake Road:

King salmon: Open season July 1–July 31

New as of 2009

All flowing waters downstream of ADF&G marker at Mile 13.0 Klutina Lake Road:

King salmon: Open season July 1–August 10

New as of 2009

All other lakes:

Other salmon: Open season January 1–July 19

SINONA CREEK and all flowing waters within ¼-mile radius of its confluence with the Copper River:

Closed to king salmon fishing

New as of 2009

SLANA RIVER *Whitefish may be taken by spear or bow and arrow year-round.*

SLANA RIVER DRAINAGE and all flowing waters within ¼-mile radius of the confluence of the Slana and Copper rivers (including Ahtell and Natat creeks):

Closed to king salmon fishing

New as of 2009

SUSITNA RIVER DRAINAGE, upstream from the Oshetna River

Closed to salmon fishing

TAZLINA RIVER DRAINAGE

Tazlina Lake and all flowing waters entering Tazlina Lake—except a ¼-mile radius around the mouth of Kaina Creek:

Closed to king salmon fishing

Moose Creek:

- Entire year: Bait and artificial lures are permitted, including treble hooks (see Methods and Means on page 5).

Mendeltna Creek drainage—all flowing waters, including all waters within ¼ mile of the Mendeltna Creek confluence with Tazlina Lake:

Salmon: *Closed to salmon fishing*

Arctic grayling: Open season June 1–March 31

2 per day, 2 in possession, **over 12" long.**

All grayling 12" or less must be released immediately.

All lakes in the Mendeltna Creek drainage:

Closed to salmon fishing

Hudson Lake:

Burbot:

Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Remainder of drainage—see Tolsona Creek regulations below and general seasons and limits on page 22.

TEBAY RIVER DRAINAGE

Summit Lake and Bridge Creek:

Rainbow/steelhead trout:

Open season July 1–May 31

10 per day, 10 in possession, **with a maximum size limit of 12".**

HANAGITA RIVER DRAINAGE AND THE TEBAY RIVER downstream from its confluence with the Hanagita River

Rainbow/steelhead trout:

Catch-and-release only for the entire year. All fish caught must be released immediately.

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TOLSONA CREEK DRAINAGE

Tolsona Lake:

Burbot: Tolsona Lake is closed to burbot fishing.

Moose Lake:

Burbot: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Arctic grayling: Open season June 1–March 31
2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Our Creek (a tributary to Moose Lake):

Burbot: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Arctic grayling: Open season June 1–March 31
2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Remainder of drainage—see General Seasons and Limits on page 22.

TONSINA RIVER DRAINAGE

See map on page 27.

- In the flowing waters of the Tonsina River drainage upstream of Tonsina Lake, only unbaited, **single-hook**, artificial lures may be used. In all flowing waters of the Tonsina River drainage downstream from the outlet of Tonsina Lake, bait and artificial lures are permitted, including treble hooks.

Tonsina Lake: *Closed to king salmon fishing*

All flowing waters entering Tonsina Lake:

Closed to king salmon fishing

All flowing waters downstream of Tonsina Lake to the downstream edge of the Alyeska Pipeline access bridge:

King salmon: Open season July 1–July 19

New as of 2009

All flowing waters downstream of the downstream edge of the Alyeska Pipeline access bridge:

King salmon: Open season July 1–August 10

New as of 2009

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TONSINA RIVER DRAINAGE (cont'd)

All tributaries of the Tonsina River, including the Little Tonsina River and Bernard Creek, and all flowing waters within a ¼-mile radius of their confluence with the Tonsina River:

Closed to king salmon fishing

Remainder of drainage—see General Seasons and Limits on page 22.

TYONE RIVER DRAINAGE

All flowing waters:

Closed to salmon fishing

Burbot: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

All lakes (except Lake Louise, Susitna and Tyone Lakes):

Closed to salmon fishing

Burbot: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Lake Louise: *Closed to salmon fishing*

Burbot: Entire year, 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit.

Lake trout: Entire year, 1 per day, 1 in possession, **24" or longer. All lake trout less than 24" long must be released immediately.**

Susitna and Tyone Lakes:

Closed to salmon fishing

Burbot: Entire year, 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit.

Lake trout: Entire year, 1 per day, 1 in possession, **24" or longer. All lake trout less than 24" long must be released immediately.**

STOCKED LAKES (listed in table on page 32 and on map on page 21)

- Bait and artificial lures are permitted, including treble hooks.

Rainbow/steelhead trout, Arctic char/Dolly Varden,

Arctic grayling, landlocked salmon:

Season open entire year.

10 fish per day in combination—**only 1 of which may be 18" or longer.** □



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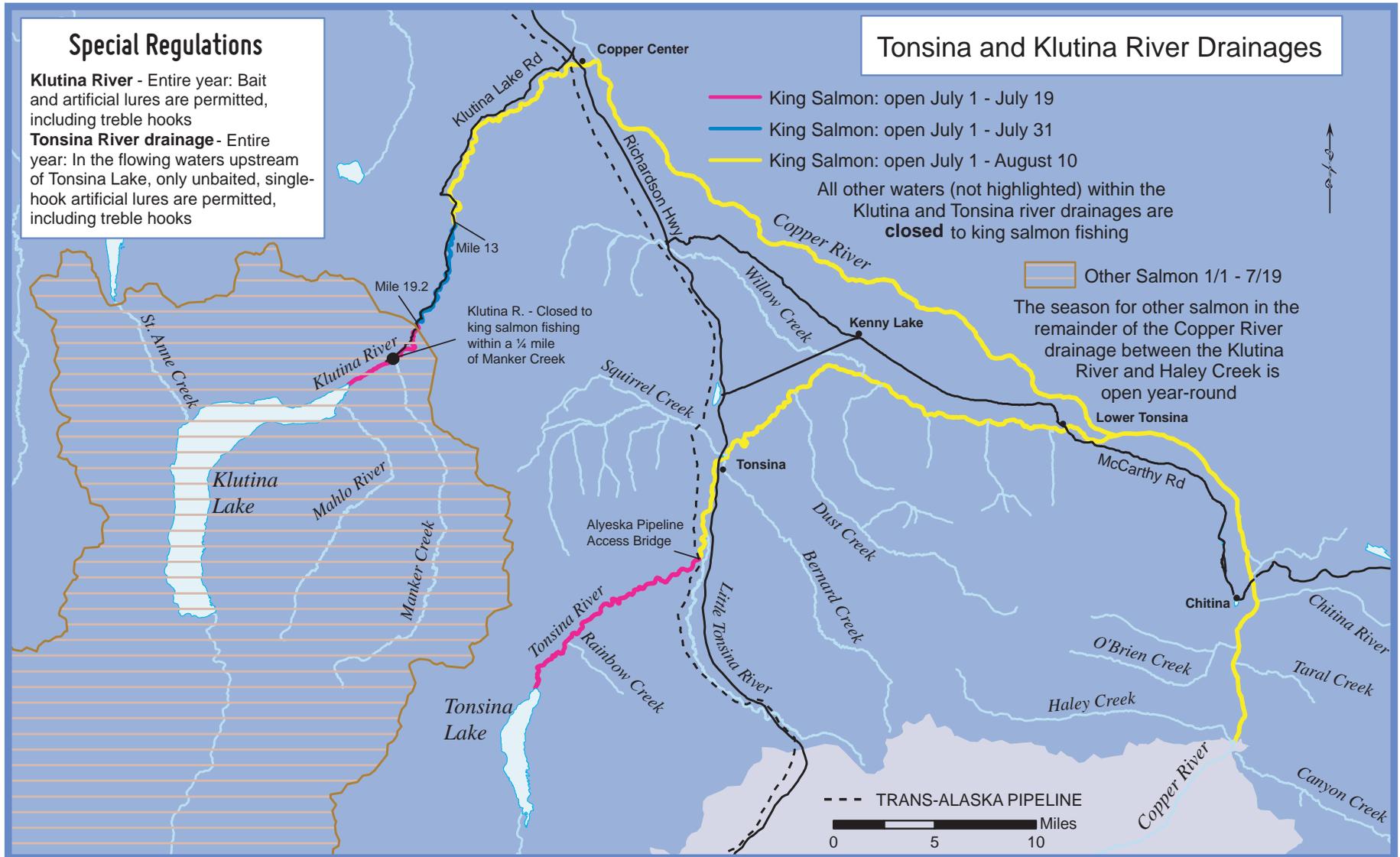
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Special Regulations

Klutina River - Entire year: Bait and artificial lures are permitted, including treble hooks

Tonsina River drainage - Entire year: In the flowing waters upstream of Tonsina Lake, only unbaited, single-hook artificial lures are permitted, including treble hooks

Tonsina and Klutina River Drainages



General Regulations:

King Salmon:

Fish 20" or larger
1 per day, 1 in possession
(annual limit of 4 fish)

Fish less than 20"
10 per day, 10 in possession

Other Salmon:

Fish greater than 16"
3 per day, 3 in possession

Fish 16" or less
10 per day, 10 in possession

Arctic Char/ Dolly Varden:

10 per day, 10 in possession,
no size limit

Arctic Grayling:

5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit

Burbot:

5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit

Rainbow Trout / Steelhead

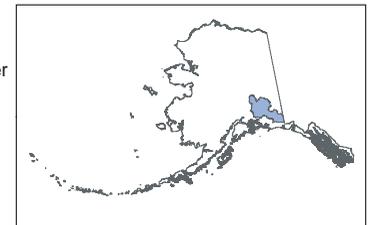
2 per day, 2 in possession, only one 20" or longer

Lake Trout:

2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit

Other Fish

No bag or possession limits



Upper Gulkana River

Special Regulations:

East Fork / Summit Lake / Paxson Lake

Gunn Creek Drainage and waters within a 100-yard radius of the mouth of Gunn Creek at Summit Lake:

- King Salmon:** CLOSED
- Other Salmon:** open August 1 - December 31
- Burbot:** 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
- Arctic Grayling:** 2 per day, 2 in possession, only one 14" or longer
- Lake Trout:** 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit

Summit Lake from its outlet to within a 100-yard radius of the mouth of Gunn Creek:

- April 16 - October 31: only unbaited, single-hook, artificial lures may be used
- November 1 - April 15: single hooks only, bait may be used
- King Salmon:** CLOSED
- Other Salmon:** open July 20 - December 31
- Burbot:** 2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
- Arctic Grayling:** 2 per day, 2 in possession, only one 14" or longer
- Lake Trout:** 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit

East Fork

from the north end of Paxson Lake upstream to Summit Lake, including Fish Creek and Fish Lakes:

- King Salmon:** CLOSED
- Other Salmon:** CLOSED
- Arctic Grayling:** 2 per day, 2 in possession, only one 14" or longer

Mouth of East Fork

waters of Paxson Lake within a 100-yard radius of the mouth of the East Fork:

- April 16 - October 31: only unbaited, single-hook, artificial lures may be used
- November 1 - April 15: single hooks only, bait may be used
- King Salmon:** CLOSED
- Other Salmon:** CLOSED
- Arctic Grayling:** 2 per day, 2 in possession, only one 14" or longer
- Lake Trout:** 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit

Paxson Lake 100 yards upstream from the narrows at lake outlet to within a 100-yard radius of the mouth of the East Fork of the Gulkana River:

- April 16 - October 31: only unbaited, single-hook, artificial lures may be used
- November 1 - April 15: single hooks only, bait may be used
- King Salmon:** CLOSED
- Other Salmon:** open July 20 - December 31
- Lake Trout:** 1 per day, 1 in possession, no size limit

Paxson Lake Outlet

all of the flowing waters from 100 yards upstream from the narrows at the outlet of Paxson Lake, downstream to the confluence with the Middle Fork:

- King Salmon:** CLOSED
- Other Salmon:** open September 10 - December 31

Middle Fork / Twelvemile Creek

Middle Fork / Hungry Hollow Creek, and Twelvemile Creek

waters of Twelvemile Creek, Hungry Hollow, and Middle Fork - from the outlet of Dickey Lake to an ADF&G marker approximately 3 mi. downstream:

- April 15 - June 14: CLOSED to sport fishing all species
- June 15 - April 14: open with the following special regulations:
- King Salmon:** CLOSED

Middle Fork all other waters of the Middle Fork

- King Salmon:** CLOSED

General Regulations:

King Salmon:

July 20 - December 31: Closed
January 1 - July 19: Open with the following regulations:

Fish 20" or longer

1 per day, 1 in possession (annual limit of 4 fish)

Fish less than 20"

10 per day, 10 in possession

Other Salmon:

Fish greater than 16"

3 per day, 3 in possession

Fish 16" or less

10 per day, 10 in possession

Arctic Char / Dolly Varden:

10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit

Arctic Grayling:

5 per day, 5 in possession, only one may be 14" or longer

Burbot:

5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit

Lake Trout:

2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit

Rainbow Trout / Steelhead

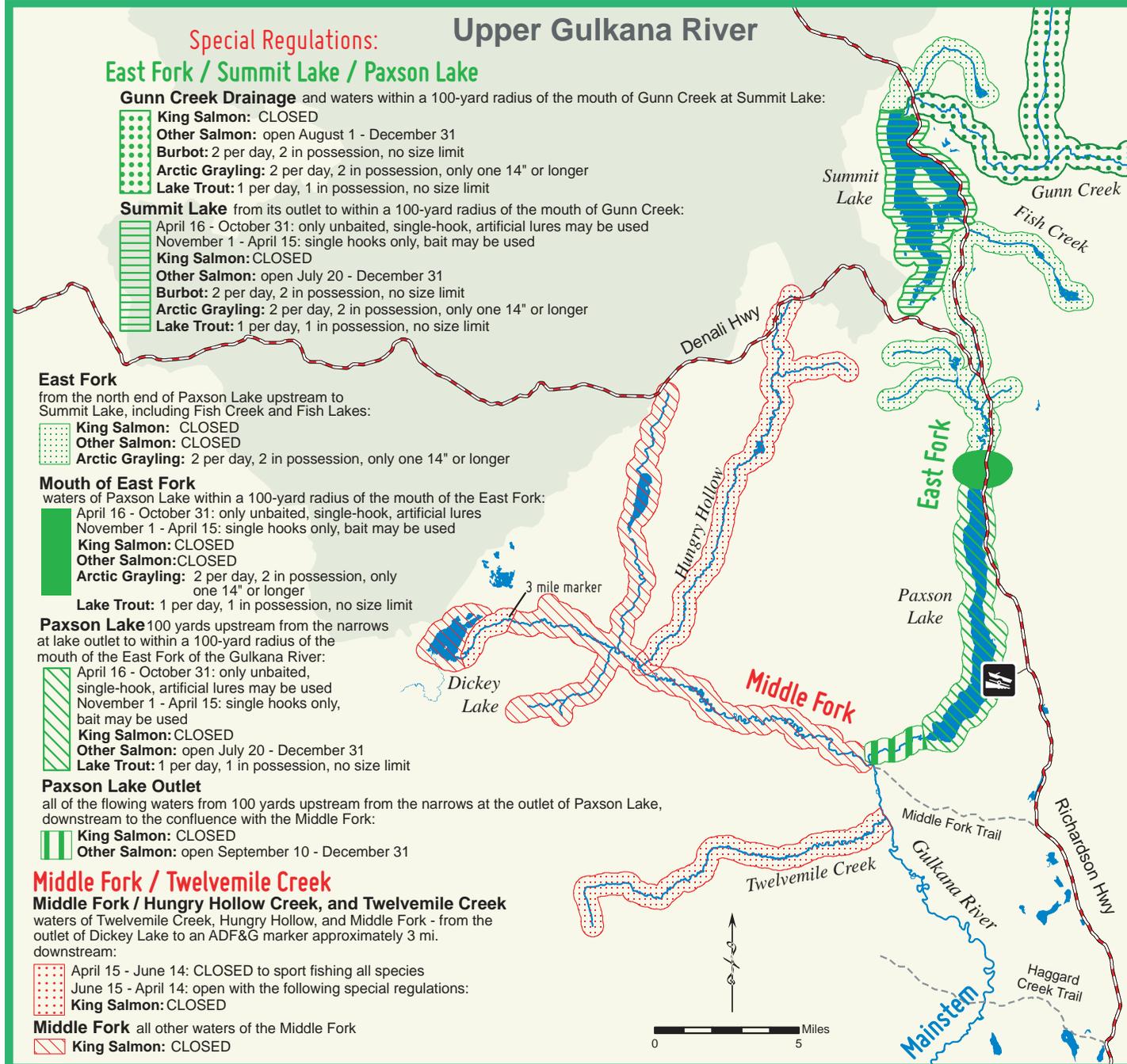
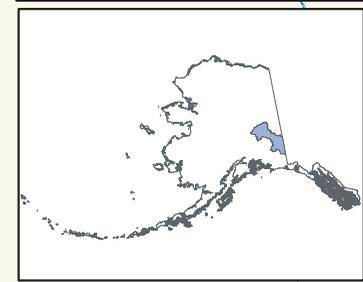
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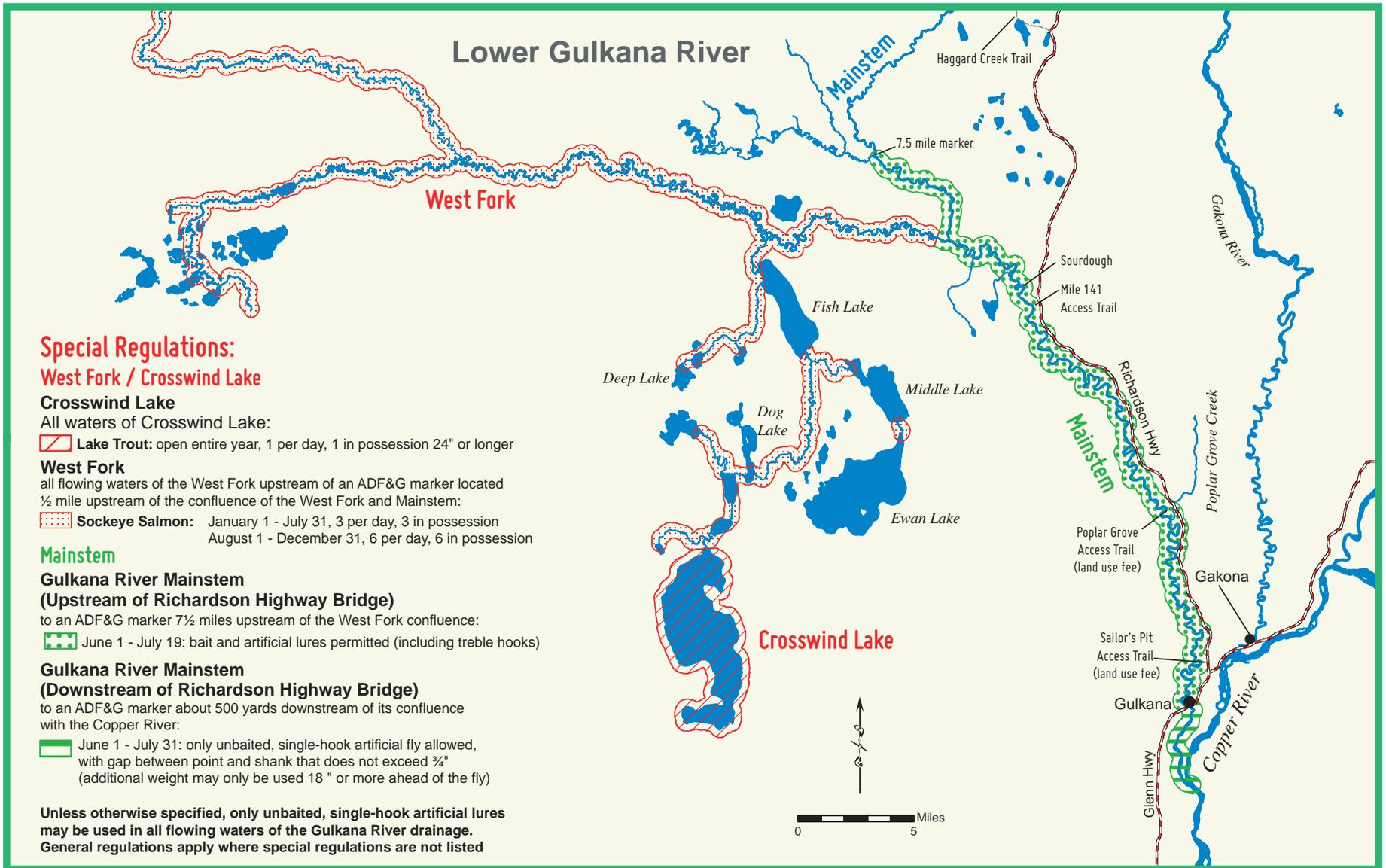
Other Fish

No bag or possession limits.

Unless otherwise specified, only unbaited, single-hook artificial lures may be used in all flowing waters of the Gulkana River drainage.

General regulations apply where special regulations are not listed





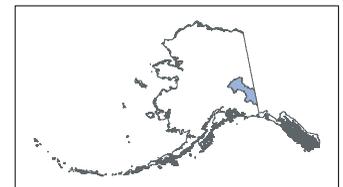
General Regulations:

King Salmon:
July 20 - December 31: Closed
January 1- July 19: Open with the following regulations:
Fish 20" or longer
1 per day, 1 in possession
(annual limit of 4 fish)

Fish less than 20"
10 per day, 10 in possession
Other Salmon:
Fish greater than 16"
3 per day, 3 in possession
Fish 16" or less
10 per day, 10 in possession

Arctic Char / Dolly Varden:
10 per day, 10 in possession, no size limit
Arctic Grayling:
5 per day, 5 in possession, only one may be 14" or longer
Burbot:
5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit

Lake Trout:
2 per day, 2 in possession, no size limit
Rainbow Trout / Steelhead
CATCH-AND-RELEASE ONLY
Other Fish
No bag or possession limits



THE COPPER RIVER CHITINA SUBDISTRICT PERSONAL USE SALMON (CHITINA DIP NET) FISHERY

At the March 2010 Board of Fisheries meeting, the Board will review the classification of the Chitina Sub-district. Please contact the fishery information line for information or changes to this fishery that may result from the Board of Fisheries ruling.

This information is provided to answer frequently asked questions about the Copper River Chitina Subdistrict personal use salmon (Chitina dip net) fishery. For a complete list of regulations, please call or visit your local ADF&G office and ask for a copy of the publication **“Public Access and Fishery Regulations for the Chitina Subdistrict Personal Use Salmon Fishery,”** available at local ADF&G offices after May 1.

The personal use salmon fishery is open only to Alaska residents. A sport fishing license **is** required. Nonresidents **cannot** participate.

Notice of fishery openings and general information are available 24 hours a day at 822-5224 in Glennallen, 459-7382 in Fairbanks, and 267-2511 in Anchorage. Be sure to call the recorded message **before** leaving for Chitina.

The first open fishing period will occur during the first 10 days in June, depending upon strength and timing of the salmon run. Permits will be available at all locations no later than June 1.

A permit is required and must be in your possession while taking or transporting fish. All salmon must be recorded on your permit **before** leaving the fishing site.

DIP NET DEFINED

By regulation, a dip net is defined as a bag-shaped net supported on all sides by a rigid frame. The maximum straight-line distance between any two points on the net frame, as measured through the net opening, may not exceed 5 ft. The depth of the bag must be at least one-half the greatest straight-line distance as measured through the net opening. No portion of the bag may be constructed of webbing that **exceeds** a stretched measurement of 4½ inches. The frame must be attached to a single rigid handle and be operated by hand. □

Permits can be obtained from ADF&G offices in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Palmer, and Glennallen. Permits will also be available at selected vendors in Anchorage, Chitina, Chugiak, Copper Center, Delta Junction, Eagle River, Eielson AFB, Fairbanks, Ft. Wainwright, Glennallen, Kenny Lake, North Pole, Palmer, Salcha, Soldotna, Valdez, and Wasilla. Contact the above ADF&G offices or visit the ADF&G web site for a list of participating vendors.

Only one Chitina Subdistrict personal use salmon permit will be issued to a household per year.

A household may not obtain both a Glennallen Subdistrict subsistence salmon permit and a Chitina Subdistrict personal use salmon permit in the same year.

Fifteen (15) salmon for a single person, and 30 for a household of two or more are allowed, per permit per year.

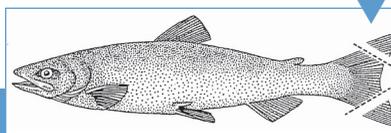
Only one (1) king salmon is allowed per permit per year, and it is included in the total limit of 15 or 30 salmon.

Rainbow/steelhead trout may not be kept.

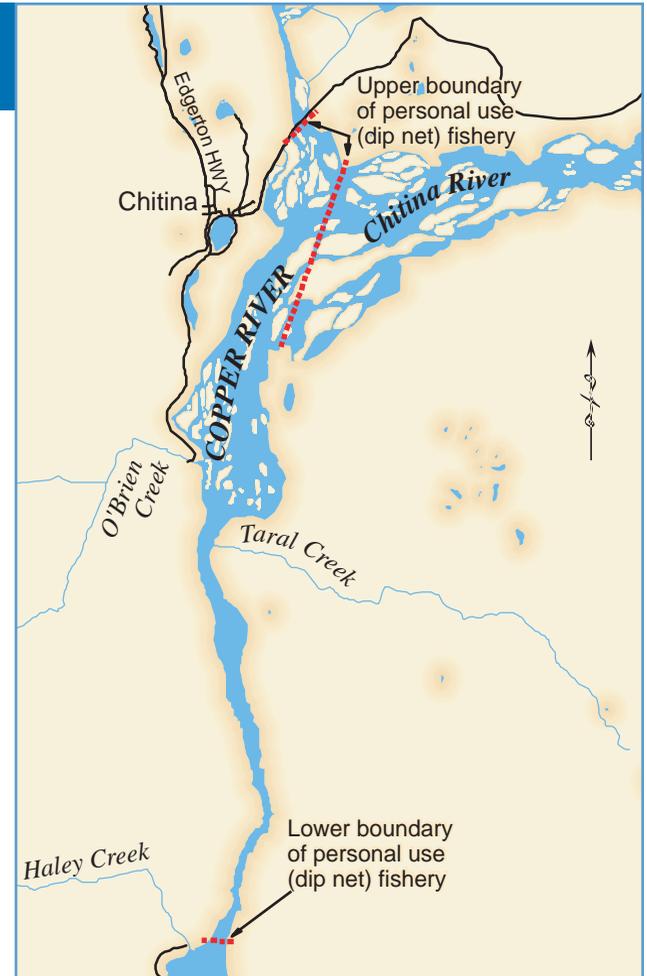
Permits **must be returned** by mail or in person to the ADF&G office printed on the permit when the permittee has completed fishing for the season, or by October 15.

A person may not possess salmon taken under a personal use salmon permit unless **both tips of the tail fin** are immediately removed from the salmon.

For purposes of this fishery, “immediately” means before concealing the salmon from plain view or transporting the salmon from the fishing site. “Fishing site” means the location where the fish was removed from the water and became part of the permit holder’s bag limit.



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Most land in the Chitina area is privately owned by the Chitina Village Corporation or the Ahtna Regional Corporation. Please respect the rights of landowners in the area, and obey all regulatory signs concerning access, parking, and other subjects. □