

Substitute Language for: Proposal 182

5 AAC 21.310 Fishing Seasons (b) (C) (i)

Kasilof Section: from **June 20** [JUNE 25] through August 15, unless closed earlier by emergency order under (iii) of this subparagraph; [HOWEVER IF THE DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES THAT 50,000 SOCKEYE SALMON ARE IN THE KASILOF RIVER BEFORE JUNE 25, BUT ON OR AFTER JUNE 20, THE COMMISSIONER MAY IMMEDIATELY, BY EMERGENCY ORDER, OPEN THE FISHERY;] from August 11 through August 15, the fishery is open for regular periods only;

This language will simplify the current regulation and will allow managers to target commercial openings based on abundance of Kasilof River bound sockeye.

Managers will not have to consider an ambiguous estimate and instead will rely on historical escapements and run projections.

Board actions (proposal 104) will supersede any openings as specified in 5 AAC 21.359 Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan

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