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Substitute language for proposal 14

5 AAC 56.122(a)(6) is amended to read: ...

(D) open to sport fishing for king salmon from its mouth upstream to ADF&G regulatory markers located approximately two miles upstream

(i) on Memorial Day weekend and the following two weekends and the Monday following each of those weekends; bag and possession limit of <u>two hatchery</u> [ONE] king salmon, 20 inches or greater in length <u>and 10 hatchery king salmon under 20 inches;</u> <u>naturally-produced king salmon may not be retained; only one single hook, or</u> <u>single-hook artificial lure, including bait may be used</u>; a person who takes and retains <u>two</u> [A] king salmon 20 inches or greater in length from the Ninilchik River, Deep Creek, or the Anchor River may not sport fish in any of those drainages for the rest of that day;

(ii) from June 16 – <u>July 15</u> [OCTOBER 31]; bag and possession limit of <u>two</u> [ONE] hatchery king salmon, 20 inches or greater in length <u>and 10 hatchery king</u> <u>salmon under 20 inches</u>; naturally-produced king salmon may not be retained; <u>only one</u> <u>single hook or single-hook, artificial lure, including bait may be used;</u> a person who takes and retains <u>two</u> [ONE] king salmon 20 inches or greater in length from the Ninilchik River drainage may not sport fish in the Ninilchik River drainage for the rest of the day;

(G) the Ninilchik River from the outlet of the Ninilchik small boat harbor to ADF&G regulatory markers just upstream of the Sterling Highway Bridge is open to sport fishing to a person under 16 years of age during the designated youth fishery which occurs on the second Wednesday after Memorial Day between the hours of 6:00 am and 9:59 pm; king salmon bag and possession limit is **two hatchery** [ONE] king salmon of any size **and naturally-produced king salmon may not be retained**; annual limit and other restrictions specified in (a)(6)(D)(iii) of this section apply; a harvest record is required as specified in 5 AAC 75.006; a person who takes and retains **two** [A] king salmon may not sport fish in the Ninilchik River for the rest of the day;

ⁱ Preparation of draft substitute language at the request of a Board member does not imply ADF&G support. The Department will state its position on the language during deliberation.