

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-2-55-15

Issued at: Palmer, Thursday, August 13, 2015

Effective Date: 3:00 p.m., Thursday, August 13, 2015

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Thursday,
December 31, 2015, unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order rescinds Emergency Order No. 2-RS-2-52-15, which prohibited the retention of sockeye salmon while sport fishing in Larson Creek and within one-quarter mile of its confluence with the Talkeetna River effective Wednesday, August 5, 2015. Beginning 3:00 p.m., Thursday, August 13, 2015, retention of sockeye salmon is allowed in Larson Creek and its confluence with the Talkeetna River.

REGULATION:

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-2-52-15 is rescinded.

Sam Cotten,
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Sam Ivey,
Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The sustainable escapement goal (SEG) for sockeye salmon in Larson Creek is 15,000-50,000 fish. As of Thursday morning, August 13, 15,059 sockeye salmon have passed the weir. Therefore it is justified to lift the restriction and restore the fishery to limits described in regulation. The anticipated harvest from this action is not expected to reduce the spawning escapement below the SEG as all harvest takes place downstream of the weir.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region II Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218.