

# PERSONAL USE FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No.** 3-RS-I-07-17

**Issued at:** Glennallen, Tuesday, July 11, 2017

**Effective Date:** 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 17, 2017

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. August 31, 2017,  
unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order amends the schedule for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River for the week of July 17, 2017.

### REGULATION:

Consistent with the COPPER RIVER PERSONAL USE DIP NET SALMON FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN, 5 AAC 77.591, the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River District will be open from 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 18 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 23.

Sam Cotten  
Commissioner



by delegation to:

Mark A. Somerville  
Area Management Biologist

### JUSTIFICATION:

The Copper River personal use fishery is managed under direction outlined in the *Copper River Personal Use Dip Net Salmon Fishery Management Plan* (5 AAC 77.591). The plan establishes the season from June 7 through September 30, and directs the department to establish weekly periods based on Miles Lake sonar counts. During June 26 – July 2, there were 51,913 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 52,525 salmon, which results in a deficit of 612 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous five-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon available to maintain the preseason schedule of 124 hours of fishing time during the week of July 17 – July 23.

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