SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Emergency Order No. 1-SS-E-27-18

Issued at Juneau, Friday, September 7,

2018

Effective

Date:

12:01 a.m. Saturday,

September 8, 2018

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Wednesday,

October 31, 2018 unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order.

<u>EXPLANATION</u>: This emergency order supersedes Emergency Order No. 1-SS-E-26-18, issued Thursday, September 6, 2018, and establishes a daily bag and possession limit of twelve coho salmon with no size limit in a designated saltwater sport harvest area near Juneau, with the exception of those waters of Auke Bay adjacent to Auke Creek.

<u>REGULATION:</u> The provisions of 5 AAC 47.021 (n) are added effective 12:01 a.m. Saturday, September 8 through 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, October 31, 2018:

5 AAC 47.021. Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the salt waters of the Southeast Alaska Area.

(n) In the Juneau vicinity, in a designated saltwater sport harvest area in the vicinity of Juneau, consisting of the contiguous marine waters of Stephens Passage, Auke Bay, Fritz Cove, and Gastineau Channel, enclosed on the west by a line from the tip of Point Louisa to the navigational aid at the northern tip of Portland Island (58° 21.13'N, 134° 45.52'W) then along the eastern shore of Portland Island to its most southern point and ending on Douglas Island at the northern tip of Outer Point. The eastern boundary of the designated saltwater sport harvest area is a line, indicated by department markers on the east and west shores of Gastineau Channel, extending across Gastineau Channel approximately one-quarter mile south of the Dupont Dock, excluding all waters of Auke Bay east of a line from Waydelich (Wadleigh) Creek to an ADF&G marker located ¼ mile south of the mouth of Auke Creek.

(1) the bag and possession limit for coho salmon is 12 fish, no size limit.

Sam Cotten

Commissioner

By delegation to:

David C. Love

Juneau Assistant Area Management Biologist

<u>JUSTIFICATION</u>: The Alaska Board of Fisheries authorized the department to use its emergency order authority to increase sport bag and possession limits for hatchery salmon in designated saltwater hatchery sport harvest areas when escapement is expected to be in excess of the broodstock requirements. Hatchery coho salmon surplus to broodstock needs are expected to return to the salt waters near Juneau. Therefore, the department is increasing the coho salmon bag limit.

<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>: The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 1 office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, P.O. Box 110024, Juneau, AK 99811, (907) 465-4270.