

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-4-35-18

Issued at: Kodiak, Tuesday, July 10, 2018

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Thursday, July 12, 2018

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Monday,  
December 31, 2018, unless superseded by  
subsequent emergency order.

### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order reduces the bag limit for sockeye salmon in the Saltery Cove drainage to two fish, two in possession.

### **REGULATION:**

The provisions of 5 AAC 64.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions for the Kodiak Area. (b)(5) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m. Thursday, July 12 through 11:59 p.m. Monday, December 31, 2018:

#### **5 AAC 64.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions for the Kodiak Area.**

(b)(5) in the Saltery Cove drainage, the bag and possession limit for salmon, other than king salmon, is five salmon of which only two fish may be coho salmon and two fish may be sockeye salmon;

Sam Cotten,  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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Tyler Polum,  
Kodiak Area Management Biologist

### **JUSTIFICATION:**

The escapement goal for sockeye salmon into the Saltery Cove drainage is 15,000 to 35,000 fish. As of July 9, 2018, the weir count was 1,938 sockeye salmon. Based on historical run timing, about 25% of the run has occurred and is not projected to make escapement objectives without a reduction in current harvest levels. Therefore, it is warranted to restrict sport fishing for sockeye salmon to 2 fish per day to reduce harvest and attempt to achieve the escapement goal.

### **DISTRIBUTION:**

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 2 Office of Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218.