SPORT FISHING *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-KS-R-18-19

Issued at: Sitka, Thursday, June 20, 2019

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Monday, June 24, 2019

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, December 31, 2019, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION: This emergency order supersedes section 5 AAC 47.021(j)(8) established by Emergency Order 1-KS-R-17-19. Emergency Order 1-KS-R-17-19 incorrectly established a resident bag and possession limit of two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length in the marine waters of Ketchikan north and east from the International Boundary Line at Dixon Entrance from 54°42.48' N. lat., 130°36.92' W. long. to 54°40' N. lat., 131°45' W. long., continuing north to Caamano Point and enclosed to the north by a line from Indian Point to Mike Point and to the southeast from Lucky Point to Middy Point, continuing to the latitude of Beaver Point, and from Point Rosen to Quadra Point. Under the *King Salmon Action Plans for Chilkat, King Salmon and Unuk Rivers* established by the Alaska Board of Fisheries the resident king salmon bag and possession limit for this area should be one fish 28 inches or greater in length. This emergency order establishes the correct resident king salmon bag limit for this area without any additional changes to regulations established under Emergency Order 1-KS-R-17-19.

<u>REGULATION</u>: The provisions of 5 AAC 47.021(j)(8) are superseded and the provisions of 5 AAC 47.021 (j)(10) are added by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective from 12:01 a.m. Monday, June 24, through Tuesday, December 31, 2019:

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

(j) In the Ketchikan vicinity:

(8) in all remaining waters of District 1, described as the marine waters of Ketchikan north and east from the International Boundary Line at Dixon Entrance from 54°42.48' N. lat., 130°36.92' W. long. to 54°40' N. lat., 131°45' W. long., continuing north to Caamano Point and enclosed to the north by a line from Indian Point to Mike Point and to the southeast from Lucky Point to Middy Point, continuing to the latitude of Beaver Point, and from Point Rosen to Quadra Point,

(A) the resident bag and possession limit is one king salmon 28 inches or greater in length from June 24 through August 14;

(B) the resident bag and possession limit is two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length from August 15 through December 31;

(10) in District 2, the resident bag and possession limit is two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length from June 24 through December 31;

Doug Vincent-Lang Acting Commissioner

By delegation to:

Bob Chadwick Regional Management Coordinator

<u>JUSTIFICATION</u>: This emergency order correctly establishes a resident king salmon bag and possession limit of one king salmon 28 inches or greater in length, in the vicinity of Ketchikan, as mandated by the *King Salmon Action Plans for the Chilkat, King Salmon and Unuk Rivers* instead of the resident bag and possession limit of two king salmon 28 inches or greater in length mandated by the *Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan* (5 AAC 47.055).

PREVIOUS EMERGENCY ORDERS AFFECTED:

Emergency Order 1-KS-R-05-19 issued April 1, 2019 which established the Southeast regional king salmon bag, possession, and annual limits is only affected in that the resident bag limit of one king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length, is increased to two king salmon, 28 inches or greater in length, in areas previously closed to the retention of king salmon due to conservation. For the remainder of Southeast Alaska, the resident king salmon bag and possession limit remains at one fish, 28 inches or greater in length.

Emergency Order 1-KS-A-13-19, issued May 23, 2019 which established designated sport terminal areas to provide Alaska hatchery king salmon harvest opportunity while protecting wild Alaska king salmon is not affected by this action.

Emergency Order 1-KS-A-17-19, issued June 10, 2019 which established resident bag limits in areas closed for king salmon conservation when they reopen. The only change to this emergency order is the decrease of the resident king salmon bag and possession limit of two to one fish 28 inches or greater in the in length until August 15 in the marine waters of Ketchikan north and east from the International Boundary Line at Dixon Entrance from 54°42.48' N. lat., 130°36.92' W. long. to 54°40' N. lat., 131°45' W. long., continuing north to Caamano Point and enclosed to the north by a line from Indian Point to Mike Point and to the southeast from Lucky Point to Middy Point, continuing to the latitude of Beaver Point, and from Point Rosen to Quadra Point.

<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, Douglas, AK 99811, (907) 747-5551.