SPORT FISHING *Emergency Order*

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-7-28-19

Effective Date: 12:00 p.m. Thursday, July 4, 2019

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME

Issued at: Homer, Tuesday, July 2, 2019

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 7, 2019, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order allows snagging along the east side of the Homer Spit, from the Homer City Dock (excluding the Homer Boat Harbor) to the ADF&G markers about 200 yards northwest of the entrance to the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon (including the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon) to a distance of 300 feet from shore.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 58.030 (d) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective 12:00 p.m. Thursday, July 4 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 7, 2019:

5 AAC 58.030 Methods, means, and general provisions – Finfish.

(d) From the Homer city dock, near the entrance to the Homer Boat Harbor (excluding the entire Homer Boat Harbor), northwest along the east side of the Homer Spit to the ADF&G regulatory marker located approximately 200 yards northwest of the entrance to the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon on the Homer Spit, to a distance of 300 feet from the shore, snagging is permitted only from 12:00 noon Thursday, July 4 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 7, 2019.

Doug Vincent-Lang, Commissioner

By delegation to:

Mike Booz Fisheries Biologist III

JUSTIFICATION:

In 1988, the Alaska Board of Fisheries adopted a regulation whereby snagging would be permitted on and adjacent to the Homer Spit only after June 23 and only by emergency order. The department may issue an emergency order only if there were stocked salmon in the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon that could not be adequately harvested without snagging. These criteria have been met in that there are king salmon available that will not be adequately harvested unless angler efficiency is increased. This emergency order therefore permits snagging on and adjacent to the Homer Spit.

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.