

# SPORT FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No. 2-R-2-03-21**

**Issued at:** Palmer, Monday, December 21, 2020

**Effective Date:** 12:01 a.m. Friday, January 1, 2021

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. Friday,  
December 31, 2021, unless superseded by  
subsequent emergency order.

### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order adds Leech, Summit, Zero, Kings, and Anderson lakes to the list of lakes stocked with hatchery fish. This emergency order also reduces the number of lines allowed per person while fishing through the ice on Anderson Lake from five to two lines. The bag and possession limit for rainbow trout is five fish, of which only one may be 20 inches or greater in length. The bag and possession limit for Arctic grayling is five fish, no size limit.

### **REGULATION:**

Under the authority of 16.05.060(a) the provisions of 5 AAC 60.120 (3)(B) for the following lakes are added to the stocked lakes listing. The provisions of 5 AAC 60.122 (4)(E) are repealed. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective 12:01 a.m. Friday, January 1 through 11:59 p.m. Friday, December 31, 2021:

#### **5 AAC 60.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm Drainage Area.**

##### **(3) rainbow/steelhead trout**

(B) may be taken in stocked lakes and ponds from January 1 – December 31; bag and possession limit is five fish, of which only one may be 20 inches or greater in length; for the purposes of this subparagraph, “stocked lakes and ponds” include Anderson Lake, Barley Lake, Bear Paw Lake, Bench Lake, Beverly Lake, Big Beaver Lake, Blair Lake, Bocker Lake, Bruce Lake, Buck Lake, Canoe Lake, Carpenter Lake, Coyote Lake, Dawn Lake, Diamond Lake, Echo Lake (Kepler/Bradley), Farmer Lake, Finger Lake, Florence Lake, Golden Lake, Goober Lake, Homestead Lake, Honeybee Lake, Ida Lake, Irene Lake, Kepler/Bradley Lakes, Kings Lake, Klaire Lake, Kalmbach Lake, Knik Lake, Knob Lake, Lalen Lake, Leech Lake, Little Beaver Lake, Little Lonely Lake, Loberg (Junction) Lake, Long Lake (MP 86 Glenn Hwy), Loon Lake, Lorraine Lake, Lucille Lake, Lynne Lake, Marion Lake, Matanuska Lake, Meirs Lake, Memory Lake, Morvro Lake, North Knob Lake, North Rolly Lake, Prator Lake, Ravine Lake, Reed Lake, Reflections Lake, Rhein Lake, Rocky Lake, Ruby Lake, Rush Lake, Seventeenmile Lake, Seymour Lake, Slipper (Eska) Lake, South Rolly Lake, Summit Lake, Tanaina Lake, Twin Island Lake, Vera Lake, Victor Lake, Visnaw Lake, Walby Lake, Weiner Lake, West Beaver Lake, Wolf Lake, and Zero Lake;

#### **5 AAC 60.122. Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm drainage area.**

(4)(E) is repealed.

Doug Vincent-Lang,  
Commissioner

By delegation to:

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Sam Ivey,  
Area Management Biologist

**JUSTIFICATION:**

Leech, Summit, and Zero lakes were stocked with hatchery fish in June 2020. Leech Lake was stocked with 484 catchable rainbow trout, Zero Lake with 3,722 rainbow trout fingerling, and Summit Lake with 500 catchable Arctic grayling. These lakes will continue as stocked lakes in 2021. Therefore, it is justified to increase the bag and possession limits on these lakes to match those of other stocked lakes. Northern pike were recently eradicated from Kings and Anderson lakes and both lakes will be stocked with rainbow trout during early summer 2021. Therefore, the regulation that allowed five lines per angler when fishing through the ice for northern pike on Anderson Lake is no longer necessary. The stocking program provides alternative opportunities for anglers that might otherwise direct their efforts toward native fish that are vulnerable to overfishing.

**DISTRIBUTION:**

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