SPORT FISHING Emergency Order

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

ALASKA DEPARTMENT **OF FISH & GAME**

Emergency Order No. 3-RS-I-01-20 Issued at: Glennallen, Wednesday,

May 27, 2020

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Sunday, June 7, 2020 Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. August 31,

2020, unless superseded by subsequent

emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order opens the Chitina Subdistrict for a 24-hour period on June 7, 2020. This fishing period and tentative openings after this period are listed in the schedule below. Additional emergency orders will implement or change this schedule based on actual numbers of fish passing the Miles Lake Sonar. After August 31, the fishery will remain open, by regulation, through September 30.

Salmon may be taken in the Chitina Subdistrict during the following time periods as established by emergency order:

	Dates		Fishing period hours
Sunday, June 7, 12:01 a.m.	through	Sunday, June 7, 11:59 p.m.	24
Monday, June 8, 12:01 a.m.	through	Sunday, June 14, 11:59 p.m.	168
Monday, June 15, 12:01 a.m.	through	Sunday, June 21, 11:59 p.m.	168
Monday, June 22, 12:01 a.m.	through	Monday, June 22, 11:59 p.m.	24
Wednesday, June 24, 6:00 a.m.	through	Sunday, June 28, 11:59 p.m.	114
Monday, June 29, 12:01 a.m.	through	Monday, June 29, 11:59 p.m.	24
Tuesday, June 30, 6:00 p.m.	through	Sunday, July 5, 11:59 p.m.	126
Monday, July 6, 12:01 a.m.	through	Monday, July 6, 11:59 p.m.	24
Thursday, July 9, 6:00 a.m.	through	Sunday, July 12, 11:59 p.m.	90
Monday, July 13, 12:01 a.m.	through	Monday, July 13, 11:59 p.m.	24
Wednesday, July 15, 6:00 a.m.	through	Sunday, July 19, 11:59 p.m.	114
Thursday, July 23, 12:00 p.m.	through	Sunday, July 26, 11:59 p.m.	84
Monday, July 27, 12:01 a.m.	through	Monday, July 27, 11:59 p.m.	24
Thursday, July 30, 6:00 p.m.	through	Sunday, August 2, 11:59 p.m.	78
Thursday, August 6, 6:00 a.m.	through	Sunday, August 9, 11:59 p.m.	90
Monday, August 10, 12:01 a.m.	through	Monday, August 10, 11:59 p.m.	24
Thursday, August 13, 6:00 p.m.	through	Sunday, August 16, 11:59 p.m.	78
Monday, August 17, 12:00 a.m.	through	Monday, August 31, 11:59 p.m.	Continuous

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REGULATION:

Consistent with 5 AAC 77.001(b) and 5 AAC 77.591 Copper River Personal Use Dip Net Salmon Fishery Management Plan, the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River District will be open from 12:01 a.m. through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 7.

Douglas Vincent-Lang

Commissioner

By delegation to:

Mark A. Somerville

Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Copper River personal use fishery is managed under direction of the *Copper River Personal Use Dip Net Salmon Fishery Management Plan* (5 AAC 77.591). The plan establishes the season from June 7 through September 30 and directs the department to establish weekly periods based on Miles Lake sonar counts. During May 18 – 24, there were 13,688 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 42,267 salmon, which results in a deficit of 28,579 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous five-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon available to allow 24 hours of fishing time during the week of June 1 – June 7.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region III Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 1300 College Road, Fairbanks, AK 99701, (907) 459-7357, and the Glennallen Area Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, PO Box 47, Glennallen, AK 99588, (907) 822-3309.