PERSONAL USE *Emergency Order*

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 3-RS-I-18-22

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 11, 2022

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME

Issued at: Glennallen, Wednesday, July 6, 2022

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. August 31, 2022, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order amends the schedule for the Chitina Subdistrict personal use salmon fishery for the week of July 11 - 17, 2022.

REGULATION:

Consistent with 5 AAC 77.001.(b) and 5 AAC 77.591. *Copper River Personal Use Dip Net Salmon Fishery Management Plan* the Chitina Subdistrict personal use salmon fishery will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 11 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 17, 2022:

Douglas Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Mark A. Somerville Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Chitina Subdistrict personal use salmon 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 fishing periods based on Miles Lake sonar counts. During June 27 – July 3, there were 70,082 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 43,334 salmon, which results in a surplus of 26,748 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 168 hours of fishing time during the week of July 11 – 17, an increase of 48 hours from the preseason schedule.

DISTRIBUTION:

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