

# PERSONAL USE

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No.** 3-RS-I-15-23

**Issued at:** Glennallen, Wednesday,  
July 5, 2023

**Effective Date:** 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 10, 2023

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. August 31,  
2023, unless superseded by subsequent  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 10 – 16, 2023.

**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. Monday, July 10 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 16.

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 weekly periods based on Miles Lake sonar counts. During June 26 – July 2, there were 148,255 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period is 43,448 salmon, resulting in a surplus of 104,807 salmon. Based on Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous three-year average harvest and participation rates, there are sufficient numbers of salmon available to allow 168 hours of fishing time during the week of July 10 – 16, resulting in an increase of 72 hours from the preseason schedule.

**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.