

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-KS-E-19-25

Issued at: Juneau, Thursday,
June 12, 2025

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Sunday,
June 15, 2025

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Tuesday,
March 31, 2026 unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order allows the retention of king salmon in the marine waters of upper Taku Inlet beginning June 15. Preseason management action previously prohibited the retention of king salmon in upper Taku Inlet through June 30 through emergency order 1-KS-R-09-25.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 47.021(e)(2) established by emergency order 1-KS-R-09-25 are rescinded.

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Daniel J. Teske
Juneau Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Inseason data for Taku River king salmon indicates that the escapement goal is likely to be achieved. Retention of king salmon in Upper Taku Inlet was previously prohibited by emergency order 1-KS-R-09-25 and prohibited the retention of king salmon from April 1 through June 30 in Taku Inlet. In response to inseason data, this extended period of nonretention is no longer warranted. By June 15 approximately 90% of Taku River origin king salmon have moved through Taku Inlet and into Taku River.

PREVIOUS EMERGENCY ORDERS AFFECTED:

Emergency Order 1-KS-R-08-25 established bag, possession, and annual limits for king salmon sport fishery in marine waters of Southeast Alaska for the 2025 season. This emergency order remains in effect and will apply in the marine waters of upper Taku Inlet when open to retention.

Emergency Order 1-KS-R-09-25 established areas and times when king salmon may not be retained in the vicinity of Haines, Skagway, Juneau, Petersburg, Wrangell and Ketchikan; these actions are being taken to reduce the harvest of Southeast Alaska wild king salmon stocks and meet objectives for king salmon management within the Pacific Salmon Treaty. The prohibition of king salmon retention in upper Taku Inlet through June 30 is rescinded and all other provisions established by emergency order 1-KS-R-09-25 remain in effect.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 1 office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, P.O. Box 110024, Juneau, AK 99811, (907) 465-4270.