# **PERSONAL USE** *Emergency Order*

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No. 3-RS-I-16-25** 

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 21, 2025

# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & GAME

**Issued at:** Glennallen, Wednesday, July 16, 2025

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. August 31, 2025, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

## **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order opens the Chitina Subdistrict personal use dip net salmon fishery for a 168-hour fishing period for the week of July 21 - 27, 2025.

#### **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 21 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 27.

Douglas Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Tracy R. Hansen 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 10 through September 30 and directs the department to establish weekly periods based on Miles Lake sonar counts. During July 7–13, there were 97,476 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 52,847 salmon, which results in a surplus of 44,629 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous three-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon available to maintain 168 hours of fishing time during the week of July 21–27.

#### **DISTRIBUTION:**

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region 3 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.