

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 1-CO-E-30-26

Issued at: Juneau, Thursday,
September 17, 2026

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Saturday, September 19,
2026

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December 31, 2026, unless superseded by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

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order rescinds Emergency Order 1-CO-E-28-26, issued August 27, 2026, and reopens sport fishing in the salt waters of north Gastineau Channel.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 47.021(d)(5) established by Emergency Order 1-CO-E-28-26 are no longer superseded and will return to the original provisions as follows:

(d) In the Juneau vicinity: in the waters that are adjacent to the Juneau City and Borough road system to a distance one-quarter mile offshore:

(5) in the waters of Gastineau Channel within 150 feet of the Channel Wayside fishing dock located near the Macaulay Salmon Hatchery, snagging or attempting to snag is prohibited; a fish hooked anywhere other than in the mouth must be released immediately back into the water.

Douglas Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to: _____

Jessica Etheridge
Juneau Assistant Area Management Biologist
Division of Sport Fish

JUSTIFICATION:

Emergency Order 1-CO-E-28-26 was issued to protect coho salmon returning to the Douglas Island Pink and Chum Macaulay Salmon Hatchery to meet broodstock goals. The hatchery has now achieved the broodstock goal, therefore, the sport fishing closure in north Gastineau Channel is no longer necessary.

PREVIOUS EMERGENCY ORDERS AFFECTED:

The sport fishing closure in north Gastineau Channel established by Emergency Order 1-CO-E-28-26 is rescinded.

DISTRIBUTION:

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