# FISH TRANSPORT PERMIT ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

#### **Division of Commercial Fisheries**

# **Explanations**

These procedures implement Chapter 41 of Section 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code, governing the transportation, possession, and release of live fish and their reproductive products.

Permit applications must be submitted to the office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G), Fisheries Monitoring, Permitting, and Development Section (FMPD) by the person, organization, government organization, educational facility, or private nonprofit hatchery requesting to transport, possess, export from or into the state, or release into the waters of the state any live fish or eggs. Submit the completed application to:

Alaska Department of Fish and Game-CF Fisheries, Monitoring, Permitting, and Development Attn: Permit Coordinator P.O. Box 115526 Juneau, AK 99811-5526

or email to the Permit Coordinator at: dfg.fmpd.permitcoordinator@alaska.gov

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A separate fish transport permit (FTP) form must be completed for each species, stock, and release location.

The applicant must complete pages 1-3 in their entirety. Failure to complete any part may delay the FTP review. Attachments further explaining the project will not substitute for completion of the form. The following instructions are for completion of these pages.

# Page 1:

- Complete the entire top section of page 1 beginning with Applicant and including Project Summary.
- <u>Donor Stock</u> refers to the facility/location the organisms are from. <u>Ancestral Stock</u> refers to the original wild stock the gametes were first collected from.
- Authorizing Permit # must be completed by the applicant. The authorizing permit number may be the hatchery permit number, fish resource permit number, or other enabling document.

# Page 2:

- <u>Project Leader:</u> Provide the name of a person that will be participating in the project and will be able to supply a copy of the FTP that will accompany the fish or egg transport.
- Effective Period: The length of time that an FTP is valid; i.e., number of years necessary to complete the project or length of time the project is approved. Applicant must include a beginning and ending date.
- Transport Date(s): Should include the date of the fish and/or egg take and all applicable transport date(s).
- Donor Stock/Ancestral Stock: If the eggs are collected at a hatchery or other release site, the original donor stock name must be included. The ancestral stock is determined by the original wild egg-take location (e.g. Pillar Creek Hatchery/Monashka Creek).
- Egg-take Location: The location where the egg take occurred or will occur.
- <u>Initial Maximal Number Allowed:</u> Number of fish and/or eggs to be taken and/or transported. This amount must not exceed the maximal number permitted in the approved project document(s).
- Initial Life Stage: Green eggs, eyed eggs, fry, smolt, adults, etc.
- <u>Incubation Location(s)</u>: Identification of hatchery, fish resource permit project facility, or other project location. If instream incubation or marine rearing is planned, be specific about the location. If there will not be incubation or rearing required, so state.
- Rearing Location(s): Identification of hatchery, fish resource permit facility, or other project location. If instream incubation or marine rearing is planned, be specific about the location. If there will not be incubation or rearing required, so state.

- <u>Release Location</u>: Be specific. Identify the river, creek, stream, lake, bay, etc. Do <u>not</u> use terms indicating an entire system, drainage, geographical area, or region. Please attach a map showing the release site and its relationship to the donor site.
- <u>Is release site landlocked?</u> Comment on whether the release site is landlocked, i.e. no flowing outlet. This is not the same as an impassable barrier that the outlet water flows over or through.
- <u>Life Stage at Release:</u> Life stage at the time of release.
- Release Maximal Number Allowed: Number of fish and/or eggs to be transported/released. If there is a maximal number stated in the authorizing permit, this amount must not exceed that in the approved project document(s).
- <u>Associated FTPs:</u> Other egg take and/or release locations for the stock listed that are covered by other Fish Transport Permits.
- <u>Purpose and Benefits</u>: The projected benefits of this project and the purpose for undertaking it as stated in the approving permit or plan documentation.
- <u>Evaluation Plans:</u> Methods employed to evaluate the success or failure of this project. Indicate if a specific report is required under the enabling permit.
- <u>Native Stocks Present:</u> List the stocks naturally present at both stock origin and release sites. Include the anticipated effects of the capture, egg take, and/or release on these stocks.

#### Page 3:

- <u>History of previous transports of this stock:</u> All *known* transport of this stock, by either your organization or others.
- <u>Disease History of stock to be transported:</u> If available, a complete listing of disease incidence testing as conducted by the Pathology Section, ADF&G, or other certified fish pathologists. The following information should be included: date of testing, age of fish, and the results of the test. Attach a copy of the actual report, if available, or use the following format:

2/6/81 Adult 0/60 (0%) BKD

- <u>Description of proposed egg-take methods</u>: Explain the procedures planned for the egg take.
- <u>Isolation measures planned to control disease during transport, including description of container, water source, and method and plan for transport:</u> Describe the techniques to be used for isolation and transport of eggs and/or fry, smolt, etc.
- <u>Source of water for rearing and proposed effluent discharge location</u>: Describe the water source for rearing, e.g. city water system, hatchery water source, a river system, or a local stream. Describe effluent discharge location, e.g. into a city sewer system, back into the water source, etc. Indicate if effluent will be treated or untreated.

### Page 4:

• For ADF&G use only.

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The review process for this permit takes 45 days or less, once a completed application is received by the department. The commissioner of ADF&G or authorized designee issues this permit. The FTP authorizes <u>only that operation specified</u> in the permit. The person or organization using the permit must comply with all conditions of the FTP and any other project-enabling permit or contract.

Prior to the taking of any fish and/or eggs, the ADF&G area biologist nearest to the site must be notified.

A copy of this FTP must accompany the fish or egg transport and be available if a Department of Fish and Game or Department of Public Safety employee wishes to examine it.

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