

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS
ON YENTNA RIVER DRAINAGE CUSTOMARY AND TRADITIONAL USE
FINDINGS, AND UPPER YENTNA RIVER SUBSISTENCE SALMON FISHERY, BY
THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES**

and

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON YENTNA RIVER DRAINAGE CUSTOMARY
AND TRADITIONAL USE FINDINGS, AND UPPER YENTNA RIVER SUBSISTENCE
SALMON FISHERY, BY THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**

On May 14, 2018, the Alaska Board of Fisheries adopted, as emergency regulations, changes in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with customary and traditional uses of king salmon in the Yentna River drainage, and subsistence salmon fishing methods and limits in the Upper Yentna River of the Cook Inlet Area, including the following:

- (1) 5 AAC 01.566(a)(1)(C) was changed to identify king salmon as a stock customarily and traditionally used for subsistence;
- (2) 5 AAC 01.593 was changed to allow king salmon to be harvested in the subsistence salmon fishery; and
- (3) 5 AAC 01.595 was changed to add bag and possession limits for king salmon.

The emergency regulations took effect on May 22, 2018 upon filing by the Lt. Governor and will expire 120 days later, on September 18, 2018, by operation of AS 44.62.260 unless made permanent. The Alaska Board of Fisheries delegated its authority pursuant to AS 16.05.270 to the Department of Fish and Game to make the emergency regulations permanent. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game proposes to make the regulations permanent.

For a copy of the emergency and proposed permanent regulations, either contact Shellene Hutter, Regulations Specialist, Alaska Department of Fish and Game at 907-465-6124, shellene.hutter@alaska.gov, view it on the Alaska Online Public Notice System, or at <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=regulations.main>.

You may comment on the regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the changes, by submitting written comments to Shellene Hutter, Regulations Specialist, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, Alaska 99811 or through email at shellene.hutter@alaska.gov. The comments must be received not later than 5:00p.m. on June 25, 2018.

The language of the permanent regulation may be different from that of the original emergency regulation, and may include other provisions dealing with the same subject. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Shellene Hutter, 907-465-6124 not later than June 18, 2018, to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

Statutory Authority: AS 16.05.251; 16.05.258

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05.251; 16.05.258

Fiscal Information: The regulations are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: May 23, 2018



Glenn Haight, Executive Director
Alaska Board of Fisheries

ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS NOTICE INFORMATION

(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting Agency: The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (under a delegation of authority from the Alaska Board of Fisheries).
2. General subject of regulations: Customary and traditional uses of king salmon in the Yentna River drainage and the Upper Yentna River subsistence salmon fishery.
3. Citation of regulations: 5 AAC 01.566; 5 AAC 01.593; 5 AAC 01.595
4. Department of Law file number (if any):
 - o unavailable
5. Reason for proposed actions: Other: The Board of Fisheries delegated regulatory authority to the Department of Fish and Game to consider making permanent emergency regulations adopted by the board.
6. Appropriation/Allocation: Fish and Game Funds.
7. Estimated annual cost to comply with the proposed action to:

A private person: \$0
Another state agency: \$0
A municipality: \$0

8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding.


	Initial Year FY <u>18</u>	Subsequent Years
Operating Cost	\$ <u>\$0</u>	\$ <u> </u>
Capital Cost	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
1002 Federal receipts	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
1003 General fund match	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
1004 General fund	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
1005 General fund/ program	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>
Other (identify)	\$ <u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>

9. The name of the contact person for the regulations:
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10. The origin of the proposed action:
 delegation of authority from the Board of Fisheries

11. Date: May 23, 2018

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