# PERSONAL USE Emergency Order

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

# ALASKA DEPARTMENT **OF FISH & GAME**

**Emergency Order No. 3-RS-I-13-24** 

**Issued at:** Glennallen, Wednesday,

July 3, 2024

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 8, 2024

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. August 31, 2024, unless superseded by subsequent

emergency order.

# **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order amends the schedule for the Chitina Subdistrict personal use dip net salmon fishery for the week of July 8 - 14, 2024.

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 8 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 14.

Douglas Vincent-Lang

Commissioner

By delegation to:

Mark A. Somerville 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 7 through September 30 and directs the department to establish weekly periods based on Miles Lake sonar counts. During June 24 - 30, there were 62,688 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 48,771 salmon, which results in a surplus of 13,917 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous three-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon available to allow 168 hours of fishing time during the week of July 8 – 14, an increase of 32 hours from the preseason schedule.

## **DISTRIBUTION:**

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