SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-2-49-24 Issued at: Palmer, Monday, August 12, 2024

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Thursday, August 15, 2024 Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, December 31, 2024, unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order rescinds Emergency Order No. 2-KS-2-19-24, issued April 29, 2024, which extended the area open to sport fishing at the Eklutna Tailrace terminal fishery. The fishery includes all waters of the Eklutna Tailrace from its confluence with the Knik River, downstream to the upstream edge of the Alaska Railroad bridge.

REGULATION:

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-2-19-24 is rescinded.

Doug Vincent-Lang Commissioner

By delegation to:

Samantha Oslund

Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

Coho salmon stocks throughout northern Cook Inlet are experiencing a period of low productivity and salmon returns to these rivers are low and below management objectives. Given anticipated poor return status, it is warranted to rescind the previously expanded fishery to prevent additional harvest of coho salmon.

PREVIOUS EMERGENCY ORDERS AFFECTED:

Emergency Order No. 2-KS-2-19-24, extending the area open to fishing at the Eklutna Tailrace terminal fishery, beginning May 1, 2024 is rescinded.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region II Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218.