

PERSONAL USE FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RS-1-32-26

Issued at: Soldotna, Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m. Friday, June 26, 2026

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m. Friday, August 7, 2026,
unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order expands the personal use salmon dipnet fishing area on the Kasilof River. Salmon may be harvested from the shore from ADF&G markers located on Cook Inlet beaches upstream to the Sterling Highway Bridge. Salmon may be harvested from a boat from ADF&G markers located on Cook Inlet beaches upstream to ADF&G markers placed at approximately river mile 3.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 77.540(c)(2)(C) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order the following provisions are effective 12:01 a.m. Friday, June 26 through 11:59 p.m. Friday, August 7, 2026.

5 AAC 77.540. Upper Cook Inlet Personal Use Salmon Fishery Management Plan.

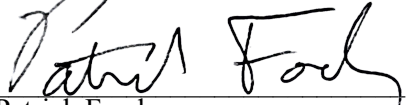
(c) Salmon may be taken by dip net in the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers as follows:

(2) in the Kasilof River, as follows:

(C) from the shore, from a line between ADF&G regulatory markers outside the terminus of the river on the north shore beach at 60° 23.25' N. lat., 151° 17.98' W. long., and on the south shore beach at 60° 23.27' N. lat., 151° 18.64' W. long., upstream to the Sterling Highway Bridge; and from a boat, from a line between ADF&G regulatory markers outside the terminus of the river on the north shore beach at 60° 23.25' N. lat., 151° 17.98' W. long., and on the south shore beach at 60° 23.27' N. lat., 151° 18.64' W. long., upstream to ADF&G markers at approximately river mile 3.

Doug Vincent-Lang,
Commissioner

By delegation to:


Patrick Fowler
Cook Inlet Management Coordinator

JUSTIFICATION:

The biological escapement goal on the Kasilof River is 140,000-320,000 sockeye salmon. Through June 23, a total of 117,665 sockeye salmon have passed the Kasilof River sonar site. The current escapement level of sockeye salmon into the Kasilof River is proceeding at a rate that is projected to exceed the biological escapement goal. Therefore, it is warranted to increase the fishing area for the Kasilof River personal use salmon fishery.

DISTRIBUTION:

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