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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Ron Benkert

Department of Fish and Game

FROM:

April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

465.4081

DATE:

December 10, 2020

RE:

Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Fish and Game

Department of Fish and Game Regulation re: use of personal watercraft in Kachemak

Bay and Fox River Flats Critical Habitat Areas (5 AAC 95.310)

Attorney General File: 2019200826

Regulation Filed: 12/10/2020

Effective Date: 1/9/2021

Print: 237, April 2021

cc with enclosures:

Harry Hale, Department of Law Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

Rick Green, Special Assistant

Shellene Hunter, Regulations Specialist

ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

The attached one page of regulations, dealing with the repeal of the personal watercraft use prohibition in Kachemak Bay and Fox River Flats Critical Habitat Areas (5 AAC 95.310), is adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Fish and Game adopts under the authority of AS 16.05.020 and AS 16.20.500 after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

In considering public comments, the Department of Fish and Game paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date: Nov 20, 2020

Doug Vincent-Larg, Commissioner Department of Fish and Game

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FILING CERTIFICATION

I, Kevin Meyer, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on

provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

Kevin Meyer, Lieutenant Governor

Effective:

January 9, 2021

Register:

237, Apr 2021

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, KEVIN MEYER, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

Josh Applebee, Chief of Staff
Kady Levale, Notary Administrator
April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on December 11th, 2018.

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KEVIN MEYER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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5 AAC 95.310 is repealed:

5 AAC 95.310. Personal watercraft use prohibited. Repealed. (Eff. 5/3/2001, Register

158; repealed 1 / 9 / 2021, Register 237)

5 AAC 95, 552(b) is amended to read;

(b) In this section, "personal watercraft" means a vessel that is

(1) less than 16 feet in length;

(2) propelled by a water-jet pump or other machinery as its primary

source of motor propulsion; and

(3) designed to be operated by a person sitting, standing, or kneeling.

on the vessel, rather than by a person sitting or standing inside it [HAS THE

MEANING GIVEN IN 5 AAC 95.310(b)]. (EFF. 8/6/2010, Register 195; am 1/9/202) Register 237)

Authority: AS 16.05.020 AS 16.20.020 AS 16.20.050

AS 16 05.050 AS 16.20.030 AS 16.20.060