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### **REDOUBT LAKE SOCKEYE SALMON CLOSURE** **SA-13-RS-05-11**

**SITKA, Alaska**—Due to a low sockeye salmon return at Redoubt Lake, the US Forest Service Sitka District Ranger is acting to protect the fishery by closing the Federal subsistence sockeye salmon fishery in the waters under federal jurisdiction in Redoubt Lake on Baranof Island. Effective 12:01 a.m., Saturday, July 16, 2011 all waters of the Redoubt Lake drainage will be closed to subsistence sockeye salmon fishing.

As of July 13, 1,066 sockeye salmon have passed through a weir at the outlet of Redoubt Lake. Based on historic run timing, the predicted total escapement for the 2011 season is expected to be 5,586 sockeye salmon.

The Redoubt Bay and Lake Sockeye Salmon Management Plan provides management provisions for commercial, sport, and subsistence fisheries that harvest Redoubt Lake sockeye salmon based on an optimal escapement goal of 7,000 to 25,000 fish. The plan directs ADF&G to close Redoubt Bay and Lake to commercial, sport and subsistence fisheries if the total projected escapement level of sockeye salmon is less than 7,000.

The USFS is taking concurrent action to close the Federal subsistence fishery and will continue monitoring the Redoubt Lake sockeye salmon escapements. If escapement levels improve sufficiently, the USFS will issue a subsequent news release announcing harvesting opportunities as provided under the Redoubt Bay and Lake Sockeye Salmon Management Plan.

For more information on the Redoubt Sockeye Closure, contact Jack Lorrigan at (907 747 6671) or by e-mail, [jlorrigan@fs.fed.us](mailto:jlorrigan@fs.fed.us) .

Information on the Federal Subsistence Management Program can be found at <http://alaska.fws.gov/asm/home.html>.

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