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NOME SUBDISTRICT COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY REOPENS

The department will reopen the entire Nome Subdistrict from Cape Rodney east to Topkok Head to commercial salmon fishing for 48 hours from 6:00 p.m. Thursday, July 24 to 6:00 p.m. Saturday, July 28. Permit holders are limited to 100 fathoms of net in aggregate length and gillnets must have a mesh size of 6 inches or less. All Nome Subdistrict chum salmon escapement goals have been achieved, including the Nome Subdistrict biological escapement goal of 23,000–35,000 chum salmon. The preliminary 2014 chum salmon escapement is 86,000 chum salmon, which is projected to be the third highest, and the fifth consecutive season in which the upper end of the BEG range has been exceeded.

