Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing Announcement No. 34 reduces the open fishing time for set gillnets from twelve hours to six hours per day, or from 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., in that portion of the General Subdistrict of the Northern District east of the Susitna River, including Fire Island, on Monday, August 19, 2019 (see Figure 1).

On August 12, the Division of Sport Fish released Emergency Order No. 2-SS-2-48-19, prohibiting the use of bait in the Little Susitna River effective 12:01 a.m., August 14. The Little Susitna River coho salmon SEG is 10,100–17,700 fish. Current weir counts are well below average, with only 3,797 coho salmon having passed upstream of the weir through August 15, projecting a final escapement of 6,809 fish. The reduction in commercial fishing hours in this announcement is intended to reduce the harvest of coho salmon returning to the Little Susitna River.
Figure 1. Map of the area restriction for the August 19, 2019 fishing period.