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## Advisory Announcement

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### **KODIAK COMMERCIAL HERRING SAC ROE FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #36 For Emergency Orders #4-FH-K-36-20**

The **Zachar Bay Section (UY40)** of the **Uyak District** closed at **noon Thursday, April 30** to commercial herring fishing for the remainder of the 2020 Kodiak herring sac roe season.

So far this season, approximately 3,950 tons of herring have been harvested in the Kodiak Area.

#### **As Previously Announced:**

The following sections are **closed** for the remainder of the 2020 Kodiak herring sac roe season:

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| - (EA21) Three Saints Bay;   | - (EA20) SW Sitkalidak;            |
| - (EA22) Newman Bay;         | - (EA23) West Sitkalidak;          |
| - (EA24) Barling Bay;        | - (EA30) East Sitkalidak;          |
| - (EA31) Tanginak Anchorage; | - (EA42) Shearwater Bay;           |
| - (EA43) Outer Kiliuda Bay;  | - (EA44) Inner Kiliuda Bay;        |
| - (AL60) Geese-Twoheaded;    | - (NE20) Kalsin Bay;               |
| - (NE10) Womens Bay;         | - (IM40) Kizhuyak Bay;             |
| - (NA50) Tonki Bay;          | - (UG31) West Uganik Passage;      |
| - (UY30) Inner Uyak Bay;     | - (UY32) Browns Lagoon;            |
| - (UG21) Terror Bay;         | - (WA10) Raspberry Strait Section; |
| - (UG30) Village Islands;    | - (UG32) Northeast Arm Uganik;     |
| - (UG33) East Arm Uganik;    | - (UG34) South Arm Uganik;         |
| - (EA50) Outer Ugak Bay;     | - (EA51) Inner Ugak Bay;           |
| - (SA10) Kitoi Bay;          | - (SA 20) Izhut Bay;               |
| - (SA30) MacDonalds Lagoon;  | - (WA 31) Paramanof Bay            |
| - (WA32) Foul Bay            | - (SA40) Danger Bay                |

All herring **permit holders**, buyers and tender operators participating are **required to register** with the ADF&G Kodiak office or with ADF&G personnel on the grounds prior to operations.

**FISHING PERIODS:** PURSE SEINE: Fishing periods for purse seine gear will be noon to 9:00 p.m. on odd-numbered days and 9:00 a.m. to noon on even-numbered days.

GILLNET: Gillnet fishing periods will be noon on even-numbered days to noon on odd-numbered days starting April 2.

## OPEN AREAS AND GUIDELINE HARVEST LEVELS:

Afognak Districts:  
(WA20) Malina Bay

GHL  
150

Alitak District:  
(AL21,22) Inner and Outer  
Deadman bays

GHL  
50

The following areas are temporarily on **stand down** . The following areas may reopen to commercial sac roe herring fishing when department staff are available to assess the herring biomass and risk of overharvest:

Afognak Districts:  
NA30) Perenosa Bay

GHL  
10

Uganik District:  
(UG20) Viekoda Bay

GHL  
15

Alitak District:  
(AL20) Inner Alitak  
(AL30) Sulua Bay  
(AL40) Lower Olga-Moser  
(AL41) East Upper Olga  
(AL50) West Upper Olga

GHL  
25  
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Uyak District:  
(UY50) Spiridon Bay

20

The following exploratory areas are temporarily on **stand down:** The following exploratory areas may reopen to commercial sac roe herring fishing when department staff are available to assess the herring biomass and risk of overharvest:

Afognak Districts:  
(NA20) Delphin Bay  
(WA40) Bluefox Bay

Mainland Districts:  
(NM20) Inner Kukak Bay  
(MM10) Inner Katmai Bay  
(MM30) Alinchak Bay  
(MM40) Puale Bay  
(MM50) Portage Bay  
(SM10) Wide Bay

Eastside District:  
(EA10) Kaiugnak Bay

GHLs and maps of open sections are available at the Kodiak office and in the herring sac roe fishery harvest strategy for the 2020 season. Fishermen are urged to check with their market and test their catch prior to landing herring. Determining if size or roe quality meets processor standards is the responsibility of fishermen and industry. It is anticipated that many small and green fish will be present on the grounds during the initial open fishing periods. Recent fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's message phone at 486-4559.

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 11, and 12, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: <https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates>.