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## **Advisory Announcement**

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## **Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery News Release #2**

**SUBSISTENCE FISHERIES:** Effective at 6:00 AM on Monday, June 1, subsistence fishing periods in the Seldovia subsistence fishery will be from Wednesdays at 6:00 AM until Thursdays at 6:00 AM, and from Saturdays at 6:00 AM until Mondays at 6:00 AM. This schedule will continue until June 29 when this subsistence fishery closes.

Prior to June, subsistence fishing periods in April and May in the Seldovia area are from 6:00 AM Monday until 6:00 AM Wednesday, and from 6:00 AM Thursday until 6:00 AM Saturday. Period scheduling changes on June 1 are to avoid conflict with the commercial set gillnet fishery. The commercial fishery begins at 6:00 AM on that date and occurs for two 48-hour fishing periods each week beginning at 6:00 AM on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The Seldovia subsistence fishing <u>late</u> season will occur during the first two weekends in August with fishing periods from 6:00 AM Saturday until 6:00 PM Sunday.

Subsistence permits are available at the Homer or Anchorage ADF&G office, or at the Seldovia Harbormaster office during regular business hours.

Further information regarding Lower Cook Inlet subsistence salmon fisheries may be found in Title 5 of Alaska Administrative Code, Chapter 1, sections 01.550 through 01.595. Current Alaska Administrative Code may be found online here: <a href="http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/aac.asp#5.01.550">http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/aac.asp#5.01.550</a>. This may be accessed by scanning the following Quick Read (QR) code using a smart phone, and then pasting the URL into an internet browser,

COVID-19: 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: <a href="https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/">https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/</a> and may also be accessed by scanning the following QR code using a smart phone,

The next scheduled commercial salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, June 5.

Announcement recordings are available on the 24-hour telephone recording in the Homer office at 907/235-7307.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address:

<a href="http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyarealci.salmon">http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyarealci.salmon</a>, which may also be accessed by scanning the adjacent QR code,</a>