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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT # 05 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-05-20

There will be an <u>81-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Saturday**, **July 4** to **9:00 p.m. Tuesday**, **July 7** in the following areas:

- The Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, Olga Bay, and Dog Salmon Flats sections of the Alitak District; and
- The Outer Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District.

There will be an <u>81-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday**, **July 6** to **9:00 p.m. Thursday**, **July 9** in the following areas:

- The Outer Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Kizhuyak Bay, Terror Bay, Inner Uganik Bay, and Zachar Bay sections will remain closed);
- The **Afognak District** (except the Southeast Afognak, Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, and Inner and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will remain closed);
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**; and
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except the **Inner Ugak Bay Section** will remain closed).

There will be a <u>57-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday**, **July 6** to **9:00 p.m. Wednesday**, **July 8** in the **Mainland District**.

The following areas will **close** to commercial salmon fishing at **9:00 p.m. Thursday, July 9**:

- The Foul Bay Special Harvest Area: and
- The Waterfall Bay Spectial Harvest Area.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are <u>reduced</u> in the **Dog Salmon Flats Section** of the **Alitak District** from **noon Saturday**, **July 4** to **9:00 p.m. Tuesday**, **July 7** to the ADF&G markers located at the stream terminus of **Dog Salmon Creek** (stream #257-403).

Closed waters will be <u>expanded</u> near Horse Marine Lagoon, from **noon Saturday**, **July 4** to **9:00 p.m. Tuesday**, **July 7** in the **Dog Salmon Flats Section** of the **Alitak District**, east of a line bounded by a point from 57° 07.24' N lat., 154° 00.30' W long, to a point at 57° 06.495' N lat., 154° 00.30' W long, to a point at 57° 06.38' N lat., 154° 00.00' W long.

Closed waters are reduced until 9:00 p.m. Thursday, July 9:

- In Foul Bay to the stream terminus at Hidden Lake Creek (stream #251-406); and
- In **Waterfall Bay** to the stream terminus at Little Waterfall Creek (stream #251-822) and to the stream terminus at Big Waterfall Creek (stream #251-821).

Through 12:01 a.m. July 6, fishermen are reminded that in the Kodiak Area Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

After 12:01 a.m. July 6, <u>until further notice</u>, within the Kodiak Area only that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area, as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:30 p.m. on VHF channel 6.

As Previously Announced:

The following area remain **open until further notice**:

- The Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (Telrod Cove).

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350). Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, 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.