Advisory Announcement

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2020 Yukon River Salmon Summer Fishery Announcement #29
Subdistricts 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C Subsistence Fishing Schedule
Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area

In order to limit drainage-wide subsistence harvests to levels of about half what they were last year, a conservative management approach is being taken. A single 24-hour fishing period in Subdistricts 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C is being cancelled on the middle part of the run, in order to allow fish to pass through to spawning grounds.

Subsistence Management Actions

Subdistricts 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C (Tanana and Rampart):

Subsistence fishing will open from 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 7 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 8 with gillnets restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh and fish wheels.

The subsistence fishing period from 6 p.m. Friday, July 10 to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 11 is cancelled.

Fishing will reopen Tuesday, July 14 with gillnets restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh and fish wheels on a schedule of two 24-hour periods per week from:

6 p.m. Tuesdays to 6 p.m. Wednesdays
6 p.m. Fridays to 6 p.m. Saturdays

A subsistence permit is required to fish for all species in portions of Subdistricts 5-C and 5-D from the western most tip of Garnet Island upstream to the mouth of Dall River (Dalton Highway bridge area).

Subsistence harvest calendars and subsistence fishing permits are available from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game Fairbanks office (459-7274) or online at www.adfg.alaska.gov/store/.

During subsistence fishing closures, fishermen may use 4-inch or smaller mesh gillnets to target non-salmon. The 60-foot maximum length restriction is removed.

This is an announcement by the ADF&G in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

To reach the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Fairbanks call 456-0406.

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COVID-19

Under Alaska’s Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, Subsistence fishing is Essential and is part of Alaska’s Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Subsistence fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/.