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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT # 07 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-07-20

There will be an **81-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday, July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Thursday, July 16** in the following areas:

- The **Outer Ayakulik and Outer Karluk sections** 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 Izhut Bay, and Inner and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will remain closed);
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**;
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except the Inner Ugak Bay Section will remain closed); and,
- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay sections** of the **Alitak District**.

There will be a **57-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday, July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 15** in the **Mainland District**.

As Previously Announced:

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

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

Until further notice, in 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 salmon 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.

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>.