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Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery Announcement #21

OUTER DISTRICT: Effective at 6:00 AM on Tuesday, August 11, the portion of the Port Dick Island Creek Section north of a line between a point at 59° 17.03' N. lat., 151° 10.50' W. long., and another point at 59° 15.97' N. lat., 151° 05.48'W. long. is closed to commercial purse seine salmon harvest until further notice. See Figure 1 at right.

In addition, effective at 6:00 AM on Tuesday, August 11 Rocky Bay Subdistrict is closed to commercial purse seine salmon harvest until further notice.

An aerial survey flown earlier today observed numbers of chum in Island Creek and pink salmon in Rocky River that are below anticipated escapement levels for this date in order to achieve sustainable escapement goals for those systems.

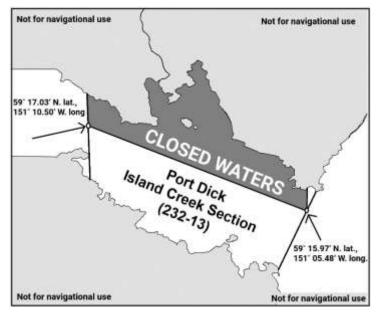


Figure 1.- Closed waters, Port Dick Island Creek Section.

<u>COVID-19</u>: 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/ and may also be accessed by scanning the quick read (QR) code at right using a smart phone.

The next scheduled commercial salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, August 14.

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

2020 Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing regulation books are available at ADF&G offices, and online here: https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/regulations/fishregulations/pdfs/commercial/2020_2022_cf_cook_inlet_salmon.pdf
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