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## Advisory Announcement

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### KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #25 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-25-20

The current commercial salmon fishing period in the **Izhut Bay Section of the Afognak District, north of a line from Haystack Rock** (at 58° 10.58' N lat., 152° 17.36' W long.) **to Pillar Cape** (at 58° 08.90' N lat., 152° 06.77' W long.) will **close** at **9:00 p.m. Saturday, August 15.**

The following areas are now scheduled to **close** to commercial salmon fishing at **9:00 p.m. Sunday, August 16:**

- The **Duck Bay Section** of the **Afognak District**; and
- The **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (Telrod Cove).**

There will be a **45-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **9:00 p.m. Sunday, August 16 to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 18** in the following areas:

- The **Outer Karluk** and **Outer Ayakulik** sections of the **Southwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Anton Larsen Bay, Zachar Bay, Spiridon Bay, and Uyak Bay sections will remain closed);
- The **Humpy Deadman** and **Dog Salmon Flats** sections of the **Alitak District**;
- The **Southeast Afognak, Raspberry Strait, Southwest Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Perenosa Bay, and Northeast Afognak** sections of the **Afognak District**; and
- The **Northeast Kodiak District.**

#### Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **reduced** in the **Dog Salmon Flats Section** of the **Alitak District** until to **6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 18** to the ADF&G markers located at the stream terminus of **Dog Salmon Creek** (stream #257-403).

Closed waters are **reduced** in the **Dog Salmon Flats Section** of the **Alitak District** from **9:00 p.m. Sunday, August 16 until to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 18** to **Horse Marine Lagoon's** exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #257-402)

There will be a **54-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Sunday, August 16 to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 18** in the following areas:

- The **Sharatin Bay** and **Kizhuyak Bay** sections of the **Northwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Shuyak Island** and **Pauls Bay** sections of the **Afognak District**;
- The **Big River, Hallo Bay, Outer Kukak Bay, Dakavak Bay** and **Katmai** sections of the **Mainland District**; and

- The **Alinchak Bay Section** of the **Mainland District** north of the latitude of **Cape Kekerno**i (57° 43.50' N lat.).

**As Previously Announced:**

The following areas will close to commercial salmon fishing at **9:00 p.m. Saturday, August 15:**

- The **Inner Ayakulik, Inner Karluk, Sturgeon and Halibut Bay sections** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**.

Closed waters are **reduced** until to **9:00 p.m. Saturday, August 15** in the following areas:

- To **Karluk Lagoon's** exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #255-101);
- To **Ayakulik River's** exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #256-201);
- To **Sturgeon Lagoon's** exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #256-401).

The following areas will close at **9:00 p.m. Sunday, August 16:**

- The **Cape Alitak, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay sections** of the **Alitak District**; and
- The **Eastside Kodiak District**.

**Closed Water Adjustments:**

Closed waters are **expanded** near Horse Marine Lagoon, until **9:00 p.m. Sunday, August 16** 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).

**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.

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>.