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Sand Point Commercial Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #19 For Emergency Order #4-FS-M-SP-15-20

There will be a **48-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period in the Shumagin Islands Section of the Southeastern District, the South Central District, the Southwestern District, and the Unimak District from 9:00 p.m. Sunday, August 23 until 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 25.

Additionally, there will be a **37-hour** commercial salmon fishing period for **set gillnet and seine gear** from 8:00 a.m. Monday, August 24 until 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 25 in the Beaver Bay, Balboa Bay, Southwest Stepovak, and East Stepovak sections of the Southeastern District. The Stepovak Flats and the Northwest Stepovak sections will remain closed.

As previously announced:

Closed waters include:

The inside waters of the Volcano Bay Section of the Southwestern District north and west of a line from Arch Point at 55° 12.30' N. lat., 161° 54.30' W. long. to a point on Belkofski Peninsula at 55° 09.50' N. lat., 161° 57.80' W. long. (Statistical Area 284-36)

The waters of the Canoe Bay Section of the South Central District (Statistical Area 283-24)

The waters of Zachary Bay of the Shumagin Islands Section of the Southeastern District south of the latitude of 55° 22.60' N. lat. (Statistical Area 282-35)

All closed waters in the above locations will be as described in the regulation book or as adjusted by emergency order.

A copy of the *South Alaska Peninsula Salmon Management Strategy, 2020*, can be found at <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/FedAidPDFs/RIR.4K.2020.04.pdf>. Hard copies of the management strategy can be obtained at ADF&G offices in Sand Point, Cold Bay, and Port Moller.

Statistical charts and management strategies are available at the Sand Point, Cold Bay, and Port Moller ADF&G offices. Commercial salmon fishing regulations, commercial harvest, escapement, and news releases can be found on the ADF&G website at:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareaakpeninsula.salmon>.

Salmon fishery announcements will be broadcast on VHF channels 6 and 73 daily at 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and may also be obtained from ADF&G in Sand Point at 383-2334 (383-ADFG).

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/>.

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