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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL HERRING SAC ROE FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #09 For Emergency Order #4-FH-K-09-21

The **Village Islands/Uganik Bay Sections (UG30, UG32, UG33, and UG34)** of the Uganik District **Closed** to commercial herring fishing at **2:15 p.m. Saturday, April 17**. The **Inner Uyak (UY30) and Browns Lagoon (UY32) Sections** of the Uyak District **closed** to commercial herring fishing at **2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 17**.

As Previously Announced:

The following areas are **closed** for the remainder of the 2021 Kodiak herring sac roe season:

- (EA21) Three Saints Bay; - (EA23) West Sitkalidak; - (EA22) Newman Bay;
- (EA24) Barling Bay; - (EA30) East Sitkalidak; - (EA31) Tanginak Anchorage;
- (EA42) Shearwater Bay - (EA10) Kaiugnak; - (EA20) Southwest Sitkalidak;
- (AL60) Geese-Twoheaded - (NE20) Kalsin Bay; - (NA50) Tonki Bay

All herring permit holders, buyers and tender operators participating are **required to register** with the ADF&G Kodiak office or with ADF&G personnel on the grounds prior to operations.

FISHING PERIODS:

PURSE SEINE: Fishing periods for purse seine gear will be noon to 9:00 p.m. on odd-numbered days and 9:00 a.m. to noon on even-numbered days.

GILLNET: Gillnet fishing periods will be noon on even-numbered days to noon on odd-numbered days starting April 2.

GHLs and maps of open sections are available at the Kodiak office and in the herring sac roe fishery harvest strategy for the 2021 season. Fishermen are urged to check with their market and test their catch prior to landing herring. Determining if size or roe quality meets processor standards is the responsibility of fishermen and industry. It is anticipated that many small and green fish will be present on the grounds during the initial open fishing periods. Recent fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's message phone at 486-4559.

EXPLORATORY AREAS:

The following sections are designated as EXPLORATORY, and will be open to either gear type, with differential fishing periods by gear type as outlined above for purse seine or gillnet gear:

Afognak Districts:
 (NA20) Delphin Bay
 (NA30) Perensoa Bay
 (WA40) Bluefox Bay

Mainland Districts:
 (NM20) Inner Kukak
 (MM10) Inner Katmai
 (MM30) Alinchak

Mainland Districts cont:
 (MM40) Puale Bay
 (MM50) Portage Bay
 (SM10) Wide Bay

District	Area	Stat Areas	GHL ^a	Harvest	Left on GHL ^b	Open/Closed	Closure Date
Afognak	Kitoi/Izhut/MacDonalds Lagoon	SA10,20,30	100	0	100	Open	
	Danger Bay	SA40	300	0	300	Open	
	Raspberry Strait	WA10	400	0	400	Open	
	Malina Bay	WA20	200	0	200	Open	
	Paramanof Bay/Foul Bay	WA31,32	400	0	400	Open	
	Tonki Bay	NA50	75	120	0	Closed	4/13/2020
	Exploratory Afognak	NA20,30,40	0	0	0	Open	
Afognak District Total			1,475	120	1,400		
Eastside/NE	Kaiugnak, SW Sitkalidak	EA10,20	100	30	0	Closed	4/7/2021
	Three Saints Bay, Newman Bay, West Sitkalidak Strait, Barling Bay	EA21,22,23,24	400	428	0	Closed	4/3/2021
	East Sitkalidak Strait, Tanginak Anchorage	EA30,31	800	1,030	0	Closed	4/5/2021
	Shearwater Bay, Outer Kiliuda Bay, Inner Kiliuda Bay	EA42,43,44	800	517	283	Open	
	Outer Ugak, Inner Ugak	EA50,51	500	0	500	Open	
	Kalsin Bay	NE20	100	106	0	Closed	4/13/2021
Eastside Northeast District's Total			2,700	2,111	783		
Uganik	Viekoda Bay, Terror Bay, West Uganik Passage	UG20,21,31	1,200	0	1,200	Open	
	Village Islands, NE Arm Uganik Bay, East Arm Uganik Bay, South Arm Uganik Bay	UG30,32,33,34	1,000	1,000	0	Closed	4/17/2021
	Uganik District Total			2,200	1,000	1,200	
Uyak	Inner Uyak Bay, Browns Lagoon	UY30,32	200	200	0	Closed	4/17/2021
	Zachar Bay, Spiridon Bay	UY40,50	800	0	800	Open	
	Uyak District Total			1,000	200	800	
Inner Marmot	Anton Larsen Bay	IM20	15	0	15	Open	
	Sharatin Bay	IM30	30	0	30	Open	
	Kizhuyak Bay	IM40	200	0	200	Open	
	Inner Marmot District Total			245	0	245	
Alitak	Inner Alitak	AL20	25	0	25	Open	
	Inner Deadman Bay, Outer Deadman Bay	AL21,22	50	0	50	Open	
	Sulua Bay	AL30	25	0	25	Open	
	Lower Olga	AL40	25	0	25	Open	
	East Upper Olga Bay	AL41	25	0	25	Open	
	West Upper Olga Bay	AL50	25	0	25	Open	
	Geese/Twoheaded	AL60	100	490	0	Closed	4/7/2021
Alitak District Total			275	490	175		
Total Kodiak Management Area			7,895	3,921	4,603		

^a GHL in short tons.

^b Left on GHL based on inseason estimates and subject to change.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, 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 Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/>.