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Advisory Announcement

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YAKUTAT COMMERCIAL SET GILLNET OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT

East Alsek River: will open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 25, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Alsek River: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 25, through 12:00 noon, Monday, July 26, 2021.

Akwe River: will remain closed until further notice.

Yakutat Bay: will be open from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, through 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

Dangerous River: will be open from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, through 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

Lost River: will remain closed until further notice.

Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet: will be open from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, through 6:00 p.m., Thursday, July 29, 2021, with the following restrictions:

<u>Lost River</u>: will be closed to commercial set gillnet fishing north of a line from an ADF&G regulation marker located at 59°27.38′ N lat, 139°36.55′ W long (approximately 500 yards southeast from the Lost River-Situk Inlet confluence) to a regulation marker at 59°27.82′ N lat, 139°37.46′ W long (approximately 600 yards northwest from the Lost River-Situk Inlet confluence);

Situk River mouth (including all waters of Johnson Slough): will be closed to commercial set gillnet fishing west of a line from an ADF&G regulation marker located at the southeast end of Johnson Slough at 59°26.27′ N lat, 139°32.62′ W long to a regulation marker directly across the inlet on Black Sand Spit at 59°25.77′ N lat, 139°33.18′ W long, north of a line from the regulation marker at 59°25.77′ N lat, 139°33.18′ W long to a regulation marker northwest on Black Sand Spit at 59°26.52′ N lat, 139°35.07′ W long, and south of the regulation marker at 59°26.52′ N lat, 139°35.07′ W long to a regulation marker west of the Yakutat Seafoods buying station at 59°26.73′ N lat, 139°34.64′ W long;

Chinook salmon retention: the Situk River commercial fishery is **open to the selling** of Chinook salmon and retention for personal use.

Manby Shore-Outside Waters: will be open from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, through 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

Manby Shore-Inside Waters: will be open from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, through 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

Remainder of the Yakutat District: will be open from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, through 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

Dual Permits: The use of dual permits is being allowed in the Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet and Yakutat Bay north of a line from Point Manby to Ocean Cape. Individuals are reminded that if going to fish with two permits they are to notify the Yakutat Fish and Game office when they plan to begin fishing with two permits and when they stop fishing with two permits.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

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/.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1Y1321.

Advisory Announcement web site: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

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