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Kotzebue Commercial Fishery Advisory Announcement #4

KOTZEBUE COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHING TO OPEN MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Commercial salmon fishing will be open for 8 hours from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday, July 26 and Tuesday, July 27 in the Kotzebue Sound District.

Catches in the commercial fishery on Thursday were 2,822 chums by 20 permits and on Friday dropped to 2,136 chums by 21 permit holders. Catches at the Kobuk River test fish site near Kiana have dropped off the past week.

If you have any questions concerning the fishery you can call the Kotzebue office at 442-3420, or the Commercial Fisheries office in Nome at 1-800-560-2271.

COVID-19

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is considered essential 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: <u>https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/</u>