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COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHING IN NORTHERN NORTON SOUND

Commercial salmon gillnet fishing will be open for 24 hours in Norton Sound Subdistricts 2, 3, and 4, the Golovin, Elim, and Norton Bay Subdistricts, from 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 13, until 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 14. Nets will be restricted to 6-inch stretched mesh, or less, and 100 fathoms in aggregate.

Escapements for chum salmon in the Nuikluk and Kwiniuk Rivers are projected to attain the escapement objectives for those systems at this time. Chum salmon escapement at projects in Subdistrict 4 indicate that chum salmon escapement are near historical escapements when commercial fisheries have occurred. The pink salmon run has been building and is sufficient to allow for pink salmon commercial fishing in most subdistricts based on the buyer's capacity.

Permit holders are reminded to check with the buyer to make sure there is market for their catch.