



Advisory Announcement

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Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #5

EASTERN DISTRICT: Commercial purse seine salmon fishing in Resurrection Bay will be closed from Thursday, July 4 through Sunday, July 7. Commercial fishing will resume in waters of the Bear Creek special harvest area at 6:00 AM on July 8, on a schedule of 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM weekday fishing periods.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Purse seine: In the Southern District, the following areas remain open on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday schedule of 16-hour commercial fishing periods beginning at 6:00 AM on those days,

- the Halibut Cove Subdistrict,
- the Tutka Bay Subdistrict, excluding the Tutka Bay Hatchery special harvest area (SHA), and
- the Neptune Bay and China Poot Bay sections, excluding the Hazel Lake and China Poot SHAs.

Set gillnet: Waters of the Southern District identified in 5AAC 21.330(b)(1) remain open to commercial set gillnet harvest on a regular schedule of two 48-hour fishing periods per week beginning at 6:00 AM on Mondays and Thursdays as defined in 5AAC 21.320(a)(3). Cumulative harvest from the first seven set gillnet fishing periods was 74 Chinook, 3,549 sockeye, and 150 chum salmon. Cumulative harvest last year from the first seven fishing periods was 117 Chinook, 6,234 sockeye, and 243 chum salmon. The previous 5-year harvest average from these seven periods combined was 191 Chinook, 6,212 sockeye, and 365 chum salmon.

Through June 25 a total of 4,578 sockeye salmon have passed through the English Bay River weir. This is above the range for this date (2,031 – 3,934) to achieve a final SEG of 6,300 – 12,200 by July 31 using historical run timing for this stock.

KAMISHAK DISTRICT: All subdistricts of the Kamishak District remain closed to commercial common property salmon harvest. Sockeye salmon escapement monitoring at Chenik Lake began on May 30 using satellite relayed video. Approximately 30 salmon have been counted entering the lake through June 27. Preliminary escapement counts into Chenik Lake are available online here: <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyarealci.salmon#fishcounts>, or by scanning the QR code at right.



The next scheduled commercial salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, July 5.

Announcement recordings are available on the 24-hour telephone recording in the Homer office at 907/235-7307.

Current Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing regulation books are available at ADF&G offices, and online here: https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/regulations/fishregulations/pdfs/commercial/2024_2027_cf_cook_inlet_salmon.pdf

This website may also be accessed by scanning the QR code at right.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address:

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

which may also be accessed by scanning the adjacent QR code,

