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Advisory Announcement

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Time: 3:00 p.m.

Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement #31 Emergency Orders 45, 46, & 47

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for permit holders in the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik Districts. The time is 3:00 p.m. and the date is Sunday, July 7, 2024.

Naknek-Kvichak District

Through 6:00 a.m. today, the Naknek River escapement was 23,000 sockeye for a total of 440,000, Alagnak River escapement was 46,000 for a total of 620,000 and Kvichak River escapement was 141,000 for a total of 1.1 million. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 1.2 million fish. Harvest from July 6 was 590,000 fish for a total of 2.5 million. There are 394 vessels registered to fish in the district and there will be 515 in 48 hours.

The Naknek-Kvichak District will open to drift gillnet gear for an 8.5-hour period from 2:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Monday, July 8 and again for 5.5-hour period from 3:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Monday, July 8. The current set gillnet period in the Naknek-Kvichak District is extended until further notice.

Egegik District

Egegik River escapement on July 6 was 136,000 fish and through 1:00 p.m. today is 36,000 for a season total of 816,000 fish. The lower bound of the escapement goal has been achieved. Harvest from July 6 was 341,000 fish, bringing the season total to 2.6 million. There are 160 vessels registered to fish in the district.

Egegik District will open to commercial fishing with set gillnet gear for 8 hours from 1:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. and again for 8 hours from 1:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Monday, July 8. Commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear will open for 7 hours from 1:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. and again for 7 hours from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Monday, July 8.

Ugashik District

Ugashik River escapement on July 6 was 24,000 fish for a season total of 194,000 fish. There are an estimated 300,000 fish inriver. Harvest from July 6 was 251,000 fish for a season total of 1.4 million. There are 156 vessels registered to fish in the district.

Ugashik District will open to commercial fishing with set gillnet gear for 12 hours from 11:30 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. Monday, July 8. Commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear will open for 10 hours from 11:30 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. Monday, July 8.

This has been the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game in King Salmon.

Connected EO's: <u>2F-T-45-24</u>, <u>2F-T-46-24</u>, <u>2F-T-47-24</u>