



Advisory Announcement

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Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #7

KAMISHAK DISTRICT: The Chenik Subdistrict including waters of Chenik Lagoon east of 154° 08.33' W. long. (Figure 1) will open to commercial salmon harvest for an eight-hour fishing period from 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM on Tuesday, July 16. General closed waters restrictions (5AAC 39.290) and 21.350(h) and (i) are rescinded in Chenik Lagoon until further notice. An aerial survey flown on Wednesday, July 10 documented over 4,000 sockeye salmon in Chenik Lagoon. Video monitoring of salmon passage into Chenik Lake began on May 30 using satellite relayed video. To date, 49 sockeye salmon have been documented entering Chenik Lake. 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.

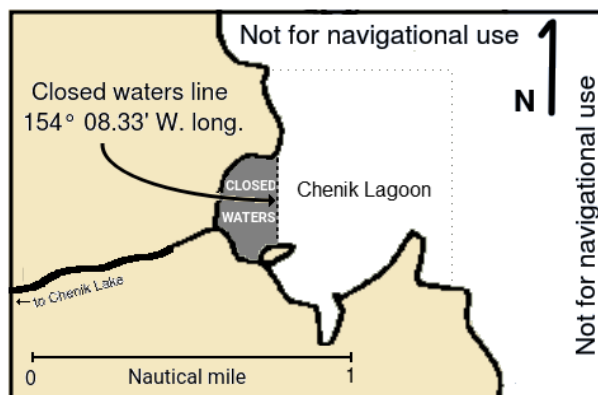


Figure 1.- Chenik Lagoon, west of 154° 08.33' W. long. is closed.

Effective 12:01 AM, Monday, July 15 remaining subdistricts of the Kamishak District, excluding the Chenik Subdistrict, the McNeil River Subdistrict, the Paint River Subdistrict, and the Kirschner Lake special harvest area, will open to commercial salmon harvest. Fishing periods are 7-days per week, 24-hours per day.

OUTER DISTRICT: The following areas will open beginning at 6:00 AM on Monday, July 15 on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 16-hour fishing periods from 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM on those days. These areas are the Dogfish Bay Subdistrict, the Port Chatham Subdistrict, and Windy Bay Subdistrict.

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).

The next scheduled commercial salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, July 19.

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,