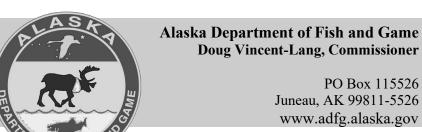
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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #12 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-12-24

The current commercial salmon fishery in the Inner Ugak Bay Section of the Eastside Kodiak District will be extended for 72-hours from 9:00 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 9:00 p.m. Monday, July 22.

Closed Water Adjustment:

Closed waters for **Saltery Creek** (stream # 259-415) are currently reduced to the stream terminus until **9:00 p.m. Monday, July 22.**

There will be a <u>57-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Saturday**, **July 20** to **9:00 p.m. Monday**, **July 22** in the following areas:

- The **Humpy-Deadman Section** of the **Alitak District**;
- The Outer Ayakulik and Halibut Bay Sections of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Kizhuyak Bay, Zachar Bay, and Uyak Bay Sections will remain closed);
- The Northeast Kodiak District:
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except the Inner Ugak Bay Section currently remains open until Monday, July 22);
- The **Afognak District** (except the Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Outer Kitoi Bay, and Inner Kitoi Bay Sections are currently open until further notice); and
- The Mainland District.

As previously announced:

The following areas remain open until further notice:

The Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Outer Kitoi Bay, and Inner Kitoi Bay Sections of the Afognak District.

Closed Water Adjustment:

Closed waters are **reduced** <u>until further notice</u>, in the **Inner Kitoi Bay Section**, to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324).

<u>Until further notice</u>, in the Kodiak Area (including the Mainland District) Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area (including the Cape Igvak Section), as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:00 p.m. on VHF channel 6.

<u>Cost recovery fisheries</u> have begun in the **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA)** and the **Spiridon Bay SHA** will remain <u>closed</u> to common property fishing. Fishery opportunities in the Spiridon Bay SHA will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs. Cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350). Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.