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Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #11

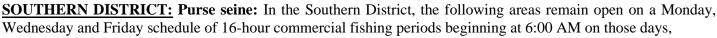
OUTER DISTRICT: Effective Monday, July 29 at 6:00 AM the following areas will open on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday sixteen-hour fishing periods beginning at 6:00 AM on those days,

- -waters of the Head End Section of Port Dick,
- -waters of the Middle Creek Section of Port Dick west of 151° 11.50' W. longitude, and
- -waters of the Nuka Island Subdistrict in the Petrof area north and west of a point at 59° 20.00' N. latitude., 150° 48.00' W. longitude.

In addition, waters of the Dogfish Bay, Port Chatham, Windy Bay, and East Nuka subdistricts remain open on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM fishing periods on those days.

Regulatory closed waters (5AAC 21.350(f)(12)) that apply to Delight Lake are suspended until further notice. The Delight Lake freshwater lagoon, and the channel draining the freshwater lagoon remain closed to commercial salmon fishing. Fishing is permitted up to the fresh water of Desire Lake creek. Fresh water is considered separated from salt water, at the mouth of streams and rivers, by a line drawn between the seaward extremities of the exposed tideland banks at the present stage of the tide, (5AAC39.975(a)(26)).

KAMISHAK DISTRICT: Subdistricts of the Kamishak District as defined in 5AAC 21.299(e), remain open to commercial salmon harvest excluding the McNeil River Subdistrict, the Paint River Subdistrict, and in the Bruin Bay Subdistrict the Kirschner Lake SHA is closed. Fishing periods are 7-days per week, 24-hours per day. General closed waters restrictions (5AAC 39.290) and 21.350(h) and (i) are rescinded in the Chenik lagoon east of 154° 08.33' W. longitude. Chenik Subdistrict harvest is confidential due to fewer than three permit holders reporting deliveries. Video monitoring of salmon passage into Chenik Lake began on May 30. As of 11:19 on July 21, an estimated 2,987 sockeye salmon have been counted 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.



- -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, August 2.

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,

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