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## Advisory Announcement

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### **2024 Tolovana River Drainage Subsistence Pike Fishery Announcement #1** **Chatanika Harvest Area closure**

Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area

#### **Chatanika Harvest Area**

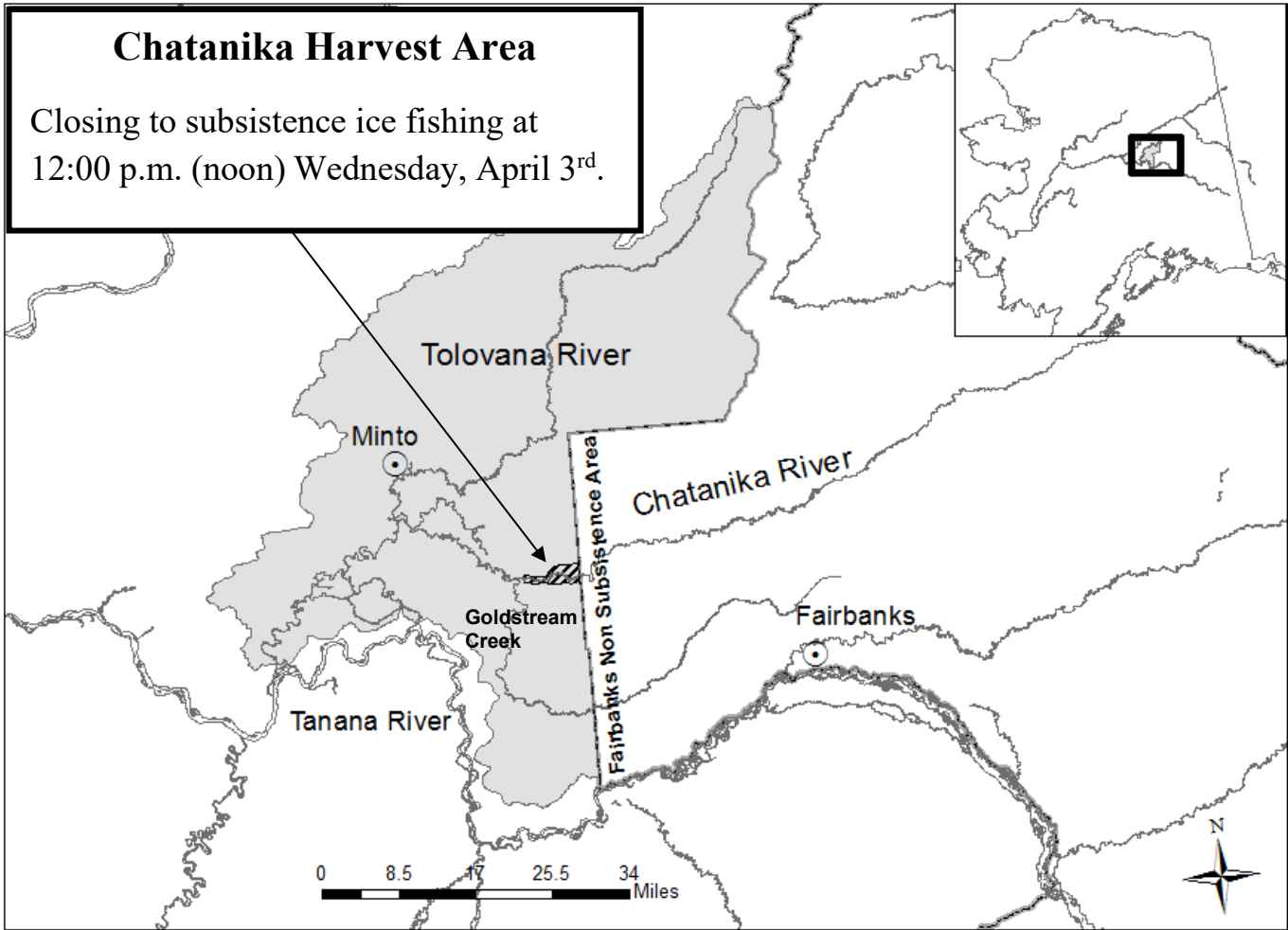
**Effective 12:00 p.m. (noon) Wednesday, April 3, subsistence fishing for northern pike within the Chatanika Harvest Area (see map) will close for the remainder of the ice fishing season this spring.**

The Chatanika Harvest Area is located on the Chatanika River from one river mile upstream from the confluence of Goldstream Creek to the Fairbanks Nonsubsistence Area boundary (about 0.8 miles below the Murphy Dome upper boat landing).

The northern pike subsistence fishery harvest limit for this area is 1,500 fish during the period from January 1 until these waters are ice free, according to the Minto Flats Northern Pike Management Plan. Based on recent fishing efforts and catch rates, the department projects that the harvest limit will be reached or exceeded by the effective closure date. **This closure does not affect subsistence pike fishing in the remainder of the Tolovana River drainage permit area.**

An Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) subsistence household harvest permit is required to fish for northern pike in the Tolovana River drainage. Household members must have the permit in possession when participating in the fishery. Permits are available at [www.adfg.alaska.gov/store](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/store) or at the ADF&G office at 1300 College Road in Fairbanks. For each week a permit holder fishes in the Chatanika Harvest Area, a catch report is required by 4:30 p.m. Thursdays at [www.adfg.alaska.gov/harvest](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/harvest) or call 907-459-7388. Permit holders must also report by January 10, 2025 if they are done fishing or did not fish on the permit.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please call the ADF&G office in Fairbanks at 907-459-7274.



Map of the Chatanika Harvest Area closure within the Tolovana River drainage subsistence permit area. The permit area is shown in gray.

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