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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 34 **Emergency Order 52**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for commercial fishermen in the Naknek-Kvichak District. The time is **3:00 p.m.** and the date is **Monday, July 6, 2015.**

The Naknek River escapement on July 5 was 49,000 sockeye for a cumulative escapement of 583,000. The Kvichak River escapement on July 5 was 165,000 sockeye for a cumulative escapement of 910,000. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 600,000. The current catch allocation is 11% Naknek set, 13% Kvichak set, and 75% drift of the current cumulative 1.9 million catch.

Based on the current catch and escapement information for the Naknek-Kvichak District; the projected total run to the Kvichak River is now 4.7 million sockeye salmon. Under the current escapement goal plan for the Kvichak River, the escapement goal is adjusted inseason to 50% of the total run. Therefore, the Department is changing the Kvichak River escapement goal to 2.35 million sockeye. The 48-hour transfer to the Naknek-Kvichak District will not be waived until 2.35 million fish have passed the Kvichak River tower and 1.4 million fish have passed the Naknek River tower.

The previously announced drift gillnet fishing period in the Naknek Section of the Naknek-Kvichak District will be extended by 3-hours therefore, drift gillnet fishing will be open in the Naknek Section for a 7-hour period from 4:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m., Monday, July 6, 2015.

Stand-by at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 7 for the next possible announcement.

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

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