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For Immediate Release

**YOUTH ONLY FISHING DAY AT THE HOMER SPIT,  
SATURDAY JUNE 5**

A portion of the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon will be open to fishing only by youths 15 years of age and younger on Saturday, June 5, from 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. The youth-only fishing area will be posted. The remainder of the Fishing Lagoon will be open to fishing to all anglers of any age.

Department of Fish and Game staff will be on hand from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to show kids how to set up fishing gear and fish, demonstrate fishing knots and how to release fish and more. Fishing rods will be available for kids to use there and check out.

The Homer Fishing Rod Lender Program loans spinning rods for up a week for free to all anglers. Rod and gear checkout is at the Alaska Islands and Ocean Visitor Center or the Homer ADF&G Office.

All other sport fishing regulations remain in effect for the Fishing Lagoon. The daily bag and possession limit is two king salmon of any size. Anglers ages 15 and under must have a free harvest record card while fishing the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon, and harvested king salmon 20 inches and greater in length must be recorded immediately on the harvest record card, in ink. The seasonal limit from April 1 through September 31 is five king salmon. The lagoon area is closed to snagging until further notice and weights or bobbers following a hook or hooks may not be used.

Youth fisheries were established by the Alaska State Legislature and implemented by the Alaska Board of Fisheries to provide special opportunity for young people to catch fish. Additional Youth Fishing Days at the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon in 2010 will be Saturday, August 7 and Saturday, August 21.

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