

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES  
NEWS RELEASE**



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**Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 01  
Emergency Order 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for permit holders in the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik and Ugashik Districts. The time is **12:00 p.m.** and the date is **Friday, May 31, 2019.**

In the Ugashik District, commercial fishing will be permitted from 9:00 a.m. Monday to 9:00 a.m. Friday, beginning 9:00 a.m. Monday, June 3 and ending 9:00 a.m. Friday, June 14, 2019. After June 14, additional opportunity will be based on escapement and inseason indicators of abundance. Ugashik fishermen are reminded that mesh size will be restricted to five and one-half inches or less from 9:00 a.m. June 3 to 11:59 p.m. July 22 for the conservation of Chinook salmon.

Subsistence fishing in the Ugashik District will be permitted from 12:01 a.m. Saturday, June 1 until 11:59 p.m. Friday, June 21.

Walrus have been intermittently hauling out on the beach near the north line of the district and as a result the modification to the north line used in 2016 and 2017 will be in effect in 2019. As in 2016 and 2017, we request **all vessels transiting the area to maintain one nautical- mile of distance from the haul out when traveling to or from the Ugashik District.** Current plans are to operate the fishery in a normal fashion with the northern line of the Ugashik District now defined as follows:

**The northeastern (onshore) corner will be located at 57° 42.69' N by 157° 42.30' W.  
The northwestern (offshore) corner will be located at 57° 42.69' N by 157° 44.47' W.**

In the Egegik District, commercial fishing will be allowed from 9:00 a.m. Monday to 9:00 a.m. Wednesday and from 9:00 a.m. Thursday to 9:00 a.m. Friday, beginning 9:00 a.m. Monday, June 3 and ending 9:00 a.m. Friday, June 14, 2019. After June 14, additional fishing opportunity will be based on escapement and inseason abundance.

Subsistence fishing will be permitted within the waters of the Egegik commercial fishing district from 12:01 a.m. Saturday, June 1, until 11:59 p.m. Friday, June 14, 2019.

Commercial fishing in the Naknek-Kvichak District will open as follows: the Naknek Section is open to both set and drift gillnet gear, the Kvichak Section is open to set gillnet gear only from 9:00 a.m. Monday to 9:00 a.m. Friday, beginning 9:00 a.m. Monday, June 3 and ending 9:00 a.m. Friday, June 21. Beginning on June 21 additional fishing opportunity will be based on escapement and inseason abundance. Naknek-Kvichak District fishermen are reminded that mesh size will be restricted to five and one-half inches or less from 9:00 a.m. June 3 to 11:59 p.m. July 22 for the conservation of Chinook salmon.

Unless otherwise specified, all openings are clock openings based on Alaska Daylight Time, which is based on Coordinated Universal Time and may be obtained by calling 303-499-7111.

The department advises all permit holders to standby daily on VHF 07 at the regularly scheduled times of 9:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 3:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., and at 8:00 p.m. for potential announcements.

All Bristol Bay commercial fishers are reminded that per regulation **5 AAC 06.377 (b) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**, any and all Chinook and coho salmon kept but not sold, must be reported on an ADF&G fish ticket at the time of landing.

Permit holders are reminded that during the 2015 board of fisheries meeting the board reinstated the requirement for drift permit holders to register before fishing in **ANY** district in Bristol Bay. Permit holders must declare a district prior to fishing by using the blue permit district registration card. The blue permit district registration cards are available at the Anchorage, King Salmon, and Dillingham offices. In addition, PDF files of blue district registration cards are posted on the Bristol Bay homepage and can be printed, completed, mailed to the address on the printout, or submitted to Anchorage, King Salmon, or Dillingham office personnel. Permit holders fishing as a dual operation must register with the Department prior to fishing. Registration can be done online or in person at the King Salmon or Dillingham Fish and Game offices.

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareabristolbay.salmon#/management>

The King Salmon Office hours for this coming season will be as follows:

June 4 – June 15	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	closed weekends and lunch
June 16 – July 16	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	open weekends
July 17 – September 30	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	closed weekends and lunch