

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



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**Westside Salmon Announcement 26  
Emergency Order 28**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside salmon announcement number 26 issued Friday, July 5, at 12:00 noon.

Wood River escapement was 51,000 yesterday and 15,000 at 6:00 a.m. this morning for a cumulative of 1.08 million. Nushagak sockeye salmon escapement was 21,500 yesterday for a cumulative of 450,000. Nushagak king salmon escapement was 362 yesterday for a cumulative of 37,500. Harvest in the Nushagak District was 840,000 sockeye salmon yesterday for a cumulative of 8 million and 286 king salmon for a cumulative of 17,500. There are currently 802 permits and 612 vessels registered for the Nushagak District.

Wood River sockeye salmon escapement was slower than expected yesterday and this morning. By regulation we must have 1.1 million sockeye salmon escapement before we can open the Wood River Special Harvest Area (WRSHA). The next possible opportunity to consider such an opening is tomorrow afternoon.

As previously announced, commercial fishing with drift gillnets will close in the Nushagak District at 12:30 p.m. July 5. Commercial fishing with drift gillnets will open in the Nushagak District from 4:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. July 5, and again from 5:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. July 6. Tenders and processors please use stat area 325-00 for drift gillnet fish tickets.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.

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