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YAKUTAT COMMERCIAL SET GILLNET OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT

Yakutat...The Alaska Department of Fish and Game today announced the following information concerning the Yakutat Area commercial set gillnet fishery.

Alsek River: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 21 through 12:00 noon, Monday, July 22, 2019** with the following restriction:

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum mesh is six inches. The department is requesting that any live Chinook salmon be released.

East River: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 21 through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 23, 2019.**

Dangerous River: will be open from **6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 21 through 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 23, 2019.**

Akwe River: will remain closed until further notice.

Lost River: will remain closed until further notice.

Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet: will be open from **6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 21 through 6:00 p.m., Monday, July 22** with the following restrictions:

Mouth of the Lost River: commercial set gillnet fishing is prohibited near the mouth of the Lost River from an ADF&G regulation marker located at 59° 27.38' N. lat., 139° 36.55' W. long., (approximately 500 yards upstream from the Lost River-Situk Inlet confluence) to a regulation marker at 59° 27.82' N. lat., 139° 37.46' W. long., (approximately 600 yards downstream from the Lost River-Situk Inlet confluence).

Mouth of Situk River: commercial set gillnet fishing is prohibited near the mouth of the Situk River west of a line from an ADF&G regulation marker located at the southeast end of Johnson Slough at 59° 26.27' N. lat., 139° 32.62' W. long., to a regulation marker directly across the Inlet on Black Sand Spit at 59° 25.77' N. lat., 139° 33.18' W. long., to a regulation marker westward along the beach of Black Sand Spit at 59° 26.52' N. lat., 139° 35.07' W. long., to a regulation marker west of

the Yakutat Seafoods buying station at 59° 26.73' N. lat., 139° 34.64' W. long. All waters of Johnson Slough are closed to commercial fishing.

Chinook salmon retention: The Situk River commercial fishery for Chinook salmon is closed. Chinook salmon may not be retained for sale or personal use. Chinook salmon found dead in the net must have the dorsal fin removed and be delivered to a buyer at the time of sockeye salmon sale for distribution to those in need in the community.

Yakutat Bay: will be open from **6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 21 through 6:00 p.m., Monday, July 22, 2019.**

Manby Shore-Outside Waters: will be open from **6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 21, through 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 23, 2019.**

Manby Shore-Inside Waters: will be open from **6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 21 through 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 23, 2019.**

Remainder of the Yakutat District: will be open from **6:00 a.m., Sunday, July 21 through 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 23, 2019.**

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1Y1219.

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