UPCOMING KOTZEBUE COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHING PERIODS

Commercial salmon fishing will be open for 14 hours daily from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. Sunday, August 4, through Friday, August 9, in the Kotzebue District.

Catch rates in the Kotzebue area have been below average throughout the season. The Kobuk River Test Fish has also been below average but is expected to meet catch objectives. If commercial catch rates continue to lag or if the Kobuk River Test Fish starts to look like it will not meet catch objectives fishing time may be shortened later in the week. Permit holders are reminded to keep in close contact with the buyers for any potential changes to this week’s fishing schedule.

If you have any questions concerning the fishery you can call the Kotzebue office at 442-3420, or the Commercial Fisheries office in Nome at 1-800-560-2271.

Good Luck and Good Fishing!