COPPER RIVER DISTRICT: Copper River District will remain closed to commercial salmon fishing. Copper River District switched to coho salmon management starting Monday, August 12. The standard management strategy for coho salmon is one or two 24-hour periods per week depending on escapement and harvest levels. 2019 cumulative harvest through August 14 is 4,763 coho compared to a recent 10-year average of 16,342 coho harvested by this date.

The grass bank marker line is defined in 5AAC 24.350(1)(A) with the exception of this year’s extension of the closure line across Little Softuk (see bold font below). This closure line is defined with the following points:

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<td>Point Whitshed South</td>
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<td>Alaganik Slough North</td>
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Waters north of this line, within sloughs, and in Boswell Bay within the bay (5 AAC 24.350(1)(A)) are closed to commercial and subsistence salmon fishing during all periods.

During the commercial fishing season, subsistence harvest may occur in the Copper River District concurrent in time and area with commercial fishing periods until the Copper River District is closed at the end of the season. Additionally, waters of the Copper River District, including the Chinook salmon inside closure area, will open to subsistence fishing from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on all Saturdays between June 15 and October 31. Subsistence permits may be obtained at the Cordova ADF&G office during regular business hours (Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.). **Subsistence permits are not available outside of regular office hours.**

Preliminary harvest estimate from the 24-hour period that started on Monday, August 12 was 6,005 sockeye, 2,331 coho and 18,359 pink salmon with 109 deliveries reported.

BERING RIVER DISTRICT: The Bering River District will remain closed to commercial salmon fishing. Bering River District is switched to coho salmon management starting Monday, August 12.
The standard management strategy for coho salmon is one or two 24-hour periods per week depending on escapement and harvest levels.

**ESHAMY DISTRICT:** The Eshamy District, excluding waters south the latitude of Loomis Creek (60° 29.44’N.) will open to commercial gillnet harvest for a **24-hour** period starting at 8:00 am on Thursday, August 15. The AGZ will open to **SET GILLNET** permit holders only during this fishing period. Preliminary harvest estimate from the 24-hour period that started on Monday, August 12 was 966 sockeye and 54,202 pink salmon with 69 deliveries reported.

**SEINE FISHERIES:** This announcement will detail purse seine fishing periods commencing on Thursday, August 15.

PWSAC recommends the AFK, CCH, and WNH SHAs, THAs, and corresponding hatchery subdistricts, except for the Point Elrington Subdistrict, remain closed in order to build broodstock.

All regulatory closed waters and all anadromous stream closures are in effect unless otherwise stated.

**EASTERN DISTRICT:** Due to observed fuel sheen, waters of the Eastern District east of 145°59.9' W, will be closed to commercial fishing this period. Eastern District, south of a line from Entrance and Potato Point, and west of 145°59.9' W will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Thursday, August 15.

Waters inside the following Eastern District Salmon Harvest Task Force (SHTF) marker will be closed for this period:

(1) **Port Fidalgo Subdistrict:** waters east of 146°24.12' W. long.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Northern District, excluding the Cannery Creek Subdistrict, Perry Island Subdistrict, and the CCH SHA and THA, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Thursday, August 15.

**COGHILL DISTRICT:** Waters of the Coghill District, excluding Esther Subdistrict, Granite Bay Subdistrict, and WNH SHA and THA, will open to commercial drift gillnet and purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Thursday, August 15.

**NORTWESTERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Northwestern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Thursday, August 15.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT:** Waters within 1 nautical mile of Latouche Island east of Pt. Grace and east of the southern tip of the Latouche Island, waters of the Point Elrington Subdistrict, and waters south (60°1.8’ N) and west (148°18.9’ W) of Point Pyke will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Thursday, August 15. The Southwestern District Priority Stream list will be in effect within waters of Point Elrington Subdistrict.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT:** Due to observed fuel sheen, waters of the Southeastern District east of 145°59.9' W, will be closed to commercial fishing this period. Waters of the Southeastern
District west of 145°59.9' W will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Thursday, August 15.

Copies of the updated regulation booklet, *2019–2021 Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations for Prince William Sound*, are available in the Cordova ADFG office.

**The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Thursday, August 15.**

**The next scheduled salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, August 17.**

Announcement recordings are available for gillnet fisheries at 907-424-7535 and seine fisheries at 907-424-7345. In addition, announcement recordings are available in Anchorage at 267-2843.

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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 encourages commercial permit holders to renew their licenses early and to check their CFEC vessel registration stickers to make sure they are current.

The department also encourages permit holders to report observed violations to Wildlife Safeguard at 800-478-3377. Reports are anonymous and cash rewards may be paid for successful prosecution of violations.