Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL HERRING FOOD/BAIT FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT # 01
For Emergency Order #4-FH-K-05-19

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) is allowing permit holders to conduct a commercial herring food/bait fishery under the following guidelines:

1) Only one vessel will be allowed to fish for the combine at any time.
2) Each district will open and close by emergency order from the ADF&G management biologist on the fishing grounds or at the Kodiak ADF&G Office.
3) Each district will be closed for the remainder of the season when the guideline harvest level (GHL) is reached.

The Eastside District (F/B 8), the South Afognak District (F/B 3), and the Uganik District (F/B 4) south of the latitude of Miners Point will open to commercial herring fishing at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, December 7, 2019, and will remain open until further notice. The food/bait GHL for the Eastside District is 69 tons, the GHL for the South Afognak District is 21 tons, and the GHL for the Uganik District is 21 tons.

The remainder of the Kodiak Area will stay closed to commercial herring fishing. Recent fishery information may be obtained at the Kodiak ADF&G office.