Advisory Announcement

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Westside Salmon Announcement 8

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an update regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside Salmon Announcement number 8 issued Tuesday, June 23 at 3:00 p.m.

The Wood River sockeye salmon escapement was 11,022 yesterday and 1,836 at 6:00 a.m. this morning, for a total of 50,226. The Nushagak sockeye salmon escapement was 15,337 yesterday, for a cumulative of 73,905. The Nushagak king salmon escapement was 369 yesterday, for a cumulative of 10,979.

For the conservation of Nushagak king salmon, commercial fishing in the Nushagak Section will remain closed at this time. In order to be ready to respond to an increase in Wood River sockeye salmon escapement, the drift and set net fleets are advised that they should be ready to fish on short notice as early as 3:00 a.m. Thursday, June 25.

As previously announced, commercial fishing in progress in the Igushik Section will close as scheduled at 10:30 p.m. June 23. Commercial fishing with set gillnets only, in the Igushik Section only, will open from 3:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. June 24.

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

Under Alaska Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska’s Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: [https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/](https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/).

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