Advisory Announcement

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Westside Salmon Announcement 27
Emergency Order 26

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside Salmon Announcement number 27 issued Wednesday, July 8 at 12:00 noon.

Harvest in the Nushagak District yesterday was 940,000 sockeye salmon for a cumulative of 4.4 million. In 48 hours, there will be 431 vessels registered in Egegik, 427 in Naknek Kvichak, and 384 in the Nushagak District. Wood River sockeye salmon escapement was 128,000 yesterday and 57,000 this morning for a cumulative of 790,000. Igushik sockeye salmon escapement was 1,800 yesterday and 500 this morning for a cumulative of 48,400. Nushagak sockeye salmon escapement was 110,000 yesterday for a cumulative of 584,000 and king salmon escapement was 3,195 for a cumulative of 37,994.

As previously announced, commercial fishing with drift gillnets in progress in the Nushagak Section will close at 1:00 p.m. July 8. Commercial fishing with drift gillnets will reopen in the Nushagak and Igushik Sections from 4:00 p.m. July 8, until 4:00 p.m. July 9. This represents a change from what was previously announced. Please use stat area 325-00 for this opening.

Commercial fishing with set gillnets in the Igushik Section is extended until further notice.

All fishermen should check with their markets before fishing.

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/.

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