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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #08 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-08-20

The Seaward Zones of the Alinchak Bay, Katmai, Dakavak Bay, Outer Kukak Bay, Hallo Bay, and Big River sections of the Mainland District and the Seaward Zones of the Northwest Afognak and Shuyak Island sections of the Afognak District will close to commercial salmon fishing at **11:30 p.m. Monday, July 13.**

As Previously Announced:

The following areas are currently scheduled to close at **9:00 p.m. Thursday, July 16:**

- The **Outer Ayakulik and Outer Karluk** sections of the **Southwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Kizhuyak Bay, Terror Bay, Inner Uganik Bay, and Zachar Bay sections will remain closed);
- The **Afognak District** (except the Izhut Bay, and Inner and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will remain closed);
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**;
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except the Inner Ugak Bay Section will remain closed); and,
- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay** sections of the **Alitak District**.

The **Mainland District** will close at **9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 15.**

The following area remains open until further notice:

- The **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (Telrod Cove).**

Until further notice, in that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial salmon fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area, as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:30 p.m. on VHF channel 6.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350). Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon

Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.

Under Alaska's 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>.