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## Advisory Announcement

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### KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #18 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-18-20

The **Inner Kitoi Bay** and **Outer Kitoi Bay** sections of the **Afognak District** will **open** to commercial salmon fishing at **noon Wednesday, August 5** and remain **open until further notice**.

#### Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **increased** from **noon Wednesday, August 5, until further notice**, to the ADF&G markers placed by hatchery staff near **Big Kitoi Creek** (stream #252-324), and to the ADF&G markers at **Little Kitoi Creek** (stream #252-323).

There will be a **48-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **9:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 5** to **9:00 p.m. Friday, August 7** in the following areas:

- The **Outer Karluk** and **Outer Ayakulik** sections of the **Southwest Kodiak District**.

#### As Previously Announced:

The following areas will **close** at **9:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 5:**

- The **Big River, Hallo Bay, Outer Kukak Bay, Dakavak Bay** and **Katmai** sections of the **Mainland District**; and
- The **Alinchak Bay Section** of the **Mainland District** north of the latitude of **Cape Kekernoj** (57° 43.50' N lat.).

The following areas are currently scheduled to **close** at to **9:00 p.m. Friday, August 7:**

- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Anton Larsen Bay, Sharatin Bay, Kizhuyak Bay, Zachar Bay, Spiridon Bay, and Uyak Bay sections will remain closed);
- The **Southwest Afognak, Southeast Afognak, Raspberry Strait, Northwest Afognak, Shuyak Island, Pauls Bay, Perenosa Bay, Northeast Afognak, and Duck Bay** sections of the **Afognak District**.); and
- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay** sections of the **Alitak District**;
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**; and
- The **Seven Rivers** and **Two-Headed** sections of the **Eastside Kodiak District** south of a latitude of **Cape Kiavak** (57° 00.00 N. lat.).

The following area remains **open until further notice**:

- The **Izhut Bay Section** of the **Afognak District**; and
- 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.

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>.