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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #08 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-08-21

There will be a <u>57-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon**, **Tuesday**, **June 22** until **9:00 p.m. Thursday**, **June 24** in the following areas:

- The Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections of the Alitak District.

The following areas will be **extended until further notice**:

- The Outer Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District; and
- The **Inner** and **Outer Upper Station Sections** of the **Alitak District**. Waters will remain open to the stream terminus of Olga Creek (stream #257-304).

As previously Announced:

There will be a <u>33-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday**, **June 21** to **9:00 p.m. Tuesday**, **June 22** in the following areas:

- Northwest Afognak, Pauls Bay, and Perenosa Bay Sections of the Afognak District;
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** and;
- The Big River and Outer Kukak Bay Sections of the Mainland District.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** from **noon Monday**, **June 21** to **9:00 p.m. Tuesday**, **June 22** in the following areas:

- At **Kaflia Creek** (stream #262-301) to the stream terminus;
- At **Saltery Creek** (stream # 259-415) to the stream terminus.

The following areas remain open to commercial salmon fishing until further notice:

- The Foul Bay Special Harvest Area; and,
- The Waterfall Bay Special Harvest Area.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are currently **reduced** until further notice in the following locations:

- In **Foul Bay** to the stream terminus at Hidden Lake Creek (stream #251-406);
- In **Waterfall Bay** to the stream terminus at Little Waterfall Creek (stream #251-822) and to the stream terminus at Big Waterfall Creek (stream #251-821).

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Fishermen are reminded that in the Kodiak Area (including the Mainland District) until further notice, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial 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 Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, 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 Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/.