



Advisory Announcement

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2021 SITUK-AHRNKLIN INLET CHINOOK SALMON SUBSISTENCE FISHERY

Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet: will be open to the retention of Chinook salmon in the subsistence fishery during the weekly subsistence fishing periods beginning 6:00 a.m., Friday, July 16, 2021, until further notice, with the following restrictions:

Lost River: will be closed to commercial set gillnet fishing north of a line from an ADF&G regulation marker located at 59°27.38' N lat, 139°36.55' W long (approximately 500 yards southeast from the Lost River-Situk Inlet confluence) to a regulation marker at 59°27.82' N lat, 139°37.46' W long (approximately 600 yards northwest from the Lost River-Situk Inlet confluence);

Mouth of Situk River: will be closed near the mouth of the Situk River west of a line from an ADF&G regulation marker located at the southeast end of Johnson Slough at 59°26.27' N lat, 139°32.62' W long, to a regulation marker directly across the Inlet on Black Sand Spit at 59°25.77' N lat, 139°33.18' W long, to a regulation marker westward along the beach of Black Sand Spit at 59°26.52' N lat, 139°35.07' W long, to a regulation marker west of the Yakutat Seafoods buying station at 59°26.73' N lat, 139°34.64' W long.

Johnson Slough: all waters of Johnson Slough will be closed.

The Chinook salmon commercial, subsistence, and sport fisheries in the Situk River drainage are managed under the guidelines of the *Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet and Lost River King Salmon Fisheries Management Plan* (5 AAC 30.365). The plan directs the department to manage fisheries to achieve a biological escapement goal (BEG) range of 450-1,050 large (three ocean age and older) Chinook salmon to the Situk River. Currently the Chinook salmon run is projected to achieve the mid-point and near the upper end of the escapement goal of 1,050 fish. Per the *Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet and Lost River King Salmon Fisheries Management Plan*, Chinook salmon retention is being opened.

Subsistence fishermen are reminded that when fishing in the Situk River they are required to attend their gillnet at all times when it is being used to take salmon.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1Y0921.

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