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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #41 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-41-21

There will be a **72-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **6:00 p.m. Friday, August 27** until **6:00 p.m. Monday, August 30** in the following areas:

- The **Northwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Southwest Afognak Section** of the **Afognak District**;
- The **Outer Ayakulik Section** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections** of the **Alitak District**;
- The **Sitkalidak, Two-Headed, and Seven Rivers Sections** of the **Eastside Kodiak District**; and
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**.

Closed Water Adjustment:

Closed waters are **reduced** in **Deadman Bay** of the **Humpy-Deadman Bay Section** of the **Alitak District** for **78-hours** from **noon Friday, August 27** until **6:00 p.m. Monday, August 30** to those waters within **500 yards** of salmon streams **#257-502, 257-503, and 257-504**.

As previously Announced:

The **Duck Bay Section** of the **Afognak District** will **open** to commercial salmon fishing for **30 hours** from **noon Thursday, August 26** until **6:00 p.m. Friday, August 27**.

The **Alinchak Bay, Cape Igvak, and Wide Bay Sections** of the **Mainland District** will **close** to commercial salmon fishing at **6:00 p.m. Friday, August 27**.

Closed Water Adjustment:

Closed waters are **reduced** **until further notice** at **Humpy Cove, to the stream terminus of Humpy Creek** (stream #257-701), and stream #257-703.

Cost recovery fisheries have begun in the Kitoi Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA). Fishing opportunities in the Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs, and all cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

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 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/>.