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Sand Point Subsistence Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #01

This serves as a reminder that from 12:01 a.m. Saturday, July 1 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 9, subsistence salmon may not be taken within 500 yards of the outlet stream terminus to McLees Lake. Also, a reminder to subsistence fishers in the Unalaska District, salmon may only be taken for subsistence purposes from 6:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.

The 2023 sockeye salmon escapement into McLees Lake through June 29 is 7,176 fish, which is similar to the recent 10-year average for this date. Sockeye salmon escapement into the McLees Lake system will continue to be monitored daily. Areas open to subsistence salmon fishing may be adjusted based on changes in the run strength. If the McLees Lake sockeye salmon run improves, waters closed to subsistence fishing may be reopened to provide additional opportunity.

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game, under the direction of the Alaska Board of Fisheries, manages sport, commercial, personal use, and state subsistence harvest on all lands and waters throughout Alaska. However, Title VIII of ANILCA provides a subsistence priority for federally qualified rural residents.

Subsistence fishers are reminded that they should consult both State of Alaska fishing regulations and the Federal Subsistence Management regulations prior to subsistence fishing.

Subsistence fishermen must obtain a permit and have it in their possession while harvesting salmon under subsistence guidelines.

Information regarding salmon fishery announcements may be obtained from ADF&G in Sand Point at 907-383-2066.

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