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Advisory Announcement:

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Sand Point Subsistence Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #02 For Emergency Order #4-FS-M-SP-08-21

Effective at 12:01 a.m. Tuesday, July 4, all waters of Reese Bay to the outlet stream terminus of McLees Lare are open to subsistence fishing until further notice. As of July 2, over 10,700 sockeye salmon have escaped into McLees Lake. This is above the escapement goal of 10,000 sockeye salmon. Due to this level of escapement, the waters closed to subsistence salmon fishing in Reese Bay will be reduced to the McLees Lake outlet stream terminus with the ocean shoreline in order to provide additional opportunity for subsistence users.

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

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