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Advisory Announcement

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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement #33 Emergency Orders 36 & 37

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for permit holders in the Naknek-Kvichak and Egegik districts. The time is 3:00 p.m. and the date is Thursday, July 6, 2023.

Naknek-Kvichak District

On July 5, Naknek River escapement was 76,000 for a cumulative of 482,000; Kvichak River escapement was 6,900 and the count from midnight to 2:00 p.m. today was 96,000 for a cumulative of 192,000. Alagnak River escapement on July 5 was 35,000 for a cumulative of 57,000. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 450,000 fish. Harvest on July 5 was 956,000 fish for a cumulative of 4.2 million. There are 442 vessels registered to fish and there will be 475 in 48 hours.

The Naknek Section will open to drift gillnet gear for a 9-hour period from 3:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Friday, July 7 and again for a 7.5-hour period from 3:30 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Friday, July 7. The current set gillnet period in the Naknek-Kvichak District will be extended for 25.5 hours from 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6 until 11:00 p.m. Friday, July 7.

Naknek-Kvichak District fishermen should stand by at 3:00 p.m. Friday, July 7 for the next possible announcement.

Egegik District

Egegik Tower escapement on July 5 was 41,000 fish, bringing the season total to 695,000 fish. Harvest on July 5 was 467,000 fish, for a total of 5.4 million on the season.

Egegik District will open to commercial fishing with set gillnet gear for 8 hours from 2:15 a.m. until 10:15 a.m. Friday, July 7. Commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear will open for 6 hours from 2:30 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. Friday, July 7.

Egegik District fishermen should stand by at 12:00 noon Friday, July 7 for a short notice announcement.

This has been the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game in King Salmon.

Connected EO's: <u>2F-T-36-23</u>, <u>2F-T-37-23</u>