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# **Advisory Announcement**

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## Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement #37 Emergency Orders 41 & 42

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for permit holders in the Naknek-Kvichak and Ugashik districts. The time is 9:00 a.m. and the date is Saturday, July 8, 2023.

#### **Naknek-Kvichak District**

On July 7, Naknek River escapement was 85,000 for a cumulative of 653,000; Kvichak River escapement was 427,000 for a cumulative of 841,000; and Alagnak River escapement was 98,000 for a cumulative of 269,000. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 450,000 fish. Harvest on July 7 was 100,000 fish for a cumulative of 4.6 million. There are 460 vessels registered to fish in the district and there will be 509 in 48 hours. The allocation is 78% drift, 12% Naknek set, and 10 % Kvichak set.

The Naknek Section will open to drift gillnet gear for a 6.5-hour period from 5:00 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. Saturday, July 8 and again for a 8.5-hour period from 5:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Sunday July 9. The current set gillnet period in the Naknek-Kvichak District will close at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, July 8.

Naknek-Kvichak District fishermen should stand by at regularly scheduled announcement times for the next possible announcement.

#### **Ugashik District**

Ugashik Tower escapement on July 7 was 10,932 fish, bringing the season total to 16,008. The count through 6:00 a.m. today is 6,900 fish. Estimated harvest from July 7 is 200,000 for a total of 480,000 on the season. Currently there are 72 vessels registered for the district.

Ugashik District will open to commercial fishing with set gillnet gear for 10 hours from 1:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. Saturday, July 8. Commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear will open for 6.5 hours from 1:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Saturday, July 8, 2023.

Ugashik District fishermen should stand by at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, July 9 for the next possible announcement.

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

Connected EO's: <u>2F-T-41-23</u>, <u>2F-T-42-23</u>