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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #17 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-17-22

The **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area** will <u>open</u> to commercial salmon fishing at **noon Friday**, **July 14** and <u>remain until further notice</u>.

There will be an <u>81-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Friday**, July 14 to 9:00 p.m. Monday, July 17 in the following areas:

The Duck Bay and Izhut Bay Sections of the Afognak District.

As previously Announced:

There will be a <u>105-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Thursday**, **July 13** to **9:00 p.m. Monday**, **July 17** in the following areas:

- The Northwest Kodiak District (except the Kizhuyak Bay Section will remain closed);
- The Northeast Kodiak District (except the Buskin River Section will remain closed);
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except that portion of Pasagshak Bay northeast of a line from a point at 57°26.04' N lat. 152°31.13' W long. to a point at 57°25.44' N lat. 152°29.39' W long, will remain closed); and,
- The **Afognak District** (except the Inner and Outer Kitoi Bay Sections remain closed and the Duck Bay and Izhut Bay Sections open Friday, July 14).

There will be a <u>57-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Thursday**, July13 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 15 in the following areas:

- The Outer Ayakulik and Halibut Bay Sections of the Southwest Kodiak District; and
- The Mainland District.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters for Saltery Creek (stream # 259-415) are normal closed waters as described in regulation from **noon Thursday, July 13** to **9:00 p.m. Monday, July 17.**

<u>Until further notice</u>, within the Kodiak Area only 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.**

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area (including the Cape Igvak Section), as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:00 p.m. on VHF channel 6.

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.