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Advisory Announcement

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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement #57 **Emergency Orders 66, 67 & 68**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for permit holders in the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts. The time is 12:00 noon and the date is Sunday, July 16, 2023.

Naknek-Kvichak District

On July 15, Naknek River escapement was 97,000 for a cumulative of 1 million; Kvichak River escapement was 59,000 for a cumulative of 3.1 million; and Alagnak River escapement was 24,000 for a cumulative of 850,000. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 100,000 fish. Harvest on July 15 was 980,000 fish for a cumulative of 10.2 million. The harvest allocation is 81% drift, 10% Naknek set, and 9% Kvichak set.

The Naknek-Kvichak District will open to drift gillnet gear from 1:00 a.m. Monday, July 17 until 9:00 a.m. Sunday, August 6. The current set gillnet period in the Naknek-Kvichak District will be extended until 9:00 a.m. Sunday, August 6. The fall fishing schedule of 9:00 a.m. Monday to 9:00 a.m. Sunday will begin at 9:00 a.m. Monday, August 7.

Egegik District

Egegik Tower escapement on July 15 was 165,000, bringing the season total to 1.2 million fish. Harvest from July 15 was 464,000 for a total of 9.4 million on the season.

Egegik District will open to commercial fishing with both set and drift gillnet gear from 11:00 p.m. Sunday, July 16 until 9:00 a.m. Sunday, August 6. The fall fishing schedule of 9:00 a.m. Monday to 9:00 a.m. Sunday will take effect on Monday, August 7.

Ugashik District

Ugashik Tower escapement on July 15 was 107,000, bringing the season total to 548,000. With yesterday's escapement, the lower bound of the escapement goal range has been achieved. Harvest from July 15 was 243,000 for a total of 1.3 million on the season.

Ugashik District will open to both drift and set gillnet gear from 9:00 a.m. Monday, July 17 until 9:00 a.m. Sunday, August 6. The fall fishing schedule of 9:00 a.m. Monday to 9:00 a.m. Sunday will take effect on Monday, August 7.

District registration will end for all districts at 9:00 a.m. Monday, July 17.

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

Connected EO's: 2F-T-66-23, 2F-T-67-23, 2F-T-68-23