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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #25 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-25-23

There will be a **57-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Friday, August 4 to 9:00 p.m. Sunday, August 6** in the following areas:

- The **Outer Karluk and Halibut Bay Sections** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Uyak Bay and Inner Uganik Bay Sections will remain closed);
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**;
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (closed waters at Saltery Creek stream #259-415; will be the normal closed waters as described in regulation);
- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections** of the **Alitak District**;
- The **Duck Bay, Southeast Afognak, Southwest Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Raspberry Strait, and Northeast Afognak Sections** of the **Afognak District**; and
- The **Mainland District**.

Cost recovery fisheries are scheduled to begin in the Kitoi Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA) on August 5. Fishing opportunities in the Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs, and all cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

As previously Announced:

The following areas will close to commercial salmon fishing at **9:00 p.m. Thursday, August 3:**

- The **Inner Kitoi Bay, Outer Kitoi Bay and Izhut Bay Sections** of the **Afognak District**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters in **Inner Kitoi Bay** will be to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324) until **9:00 p.m. Thursday, August 3**.

The **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area** **remains open until further notice**.

Until further notice, 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.

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.