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UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT No. 41
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Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing Announcement No. 41 closes set gillnetting in all waters of the Northern District of Upper Cook Inlet on Thursday, August 17, 2023, from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Little Susitna River coho salmon sustainable escapement goal (SEG) is 9,200–17,700 fish. Through August 15, approximately 54% of the run has historically passed upstream of the weir. The weir count through August 15 was 3,445 fish and is currently projecting the escapement goal will not be achieved.

The Deshka River coho salmon SEG is 10,200–24,100 fish. Through August 15, approximately 63% of the run has historically passed upstream of the weir. The weir count through August 15, was 976 fish and is currently projecting the escapement goal will not be achieved.

The above restriction is warranted to help increase coho salmon escapements into Northern Cook Inlet streams.