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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #33 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-33-23

The Inner Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District will now <u>open</u> to commercial salmon fishing for <u>102-hours</u> from noon Friday, August 18 until 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 22. (Closed waters will be the normal closed waters as described in regulation until noon Saturday, August 19).

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** from **noon Saturday**, **August 19** until **6:00 p.m. Tuesday**, **August 22** in the following area:

- At Karluk Lagoon's exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #255-101).

There will be a <u>48-hour extension</u> to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **6:00 p.m. Saturday**, **August 19** until **6:00 p.m. Monday**, **August 21** in the following areas:

- The Southwest Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Raspberry Strait, and Northeast Afognak Sections of the Afognak District;
- The Northeast Kodiak District; and
- The Eastside Kodiak District.

As previously Announced:

There will be a <u>30-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period in the **Outer Kitoi Bay Section** of the **Afognak District**, from **noon Friday**, **August 18** to **6:00 p.m. Saturday**, **August 19**.

There will be a <u>54-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Friday**, **August 18** to **6:00 p.m. Sunday**, **August 20** in the following areas:

- The **Izhut Bay Section south** of a line from Haystack Rock (at 58° 10.58' N lat., 152° 17.36' W long.) to Pillar Cape (at 58° 08.90' N lat., 152° 06.77' W long.) of the **Afognak District**.

There will be a <u>48-hour extension</u> to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **6:00 p.m. Friday**, **August 18** until **6:00 p.m. Sunday**, **August 20** in the following areas:

- The **Duck Bay Section** and the **Izhut Bay Section** <u>north</u> of a line from Haystack Rock (at 58° 10.58' N lat., 152° 17.36' W long.) to Pillar Cape (at 58° 08.90' N lat., 152° 06.77' W long.) of the **Afognak District**.

The following areas will be extended from 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 19 until further notice:

- The Outer Ayakulik, Outer Karluk, Sturgeon, and Halibut Bay Sections of the Southwest Kodiak District; and

- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Uyak Bay and Inner Uganik Bay Sections will remain closed).

The following areas are currently scheduled to <u>close</u> at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 19:

- The Southeast Afognak, Pauls Bay, Perenosa Bay, and Shuyak Island Sections of the Afognak District:
- The Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections of the Alitak District; and
- The **Mainland District**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are <u>expanded</u> <u>until further notice</u>, in that portion in the <u>Southwest Afognak Section</u> of the <u>Afognak District</u>, within one-half nautical mile of the beach near the terminus of Malina Creek (stream #252-105) between 58° 10.00' N lat. and 58° 11.00' N lat.

Cost recovery fisheries began 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.

<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.

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.