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KODIAK COMMERCIAL HERRING FOOD/BAIT FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #3 **For Emergency Orders #4-FH-K-14-23**

The West Afognak District (F/B 1) will close to commercial herring fishing at noon Saturday, November 4.

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) is allowing permit holders to conduct a commercial herring food/bait fishery under the following guidelines:

- 1) Only one vessel will be allowed to fish for the combine at any time.
- 2) Each district will open and close by emergency order from the ADF&G management biologist on the fishing grounds or at the Kodiak ADF&G Office.
- 3) Each district will be closed for the remainder of the season when the guideline harvest level (GHL) is reached.

The West Afognak District (F/B 1), Eastside District (F/B 8), South Afognak District (F/B 3), Uganik District (F/B 4), Alitak District (F/B 7), and Uyak District (F/B 5) opened to commercial herring fishing at noon, October 11, 2023, and will remain open until further notice. The food/bait GHL for the Eastside District GHL is 300 tons, the GHL for the South Afognak District is 40 tons, and the GHL for the Alitak District is 60 tons.

The remainder of the Kodiak Area will stay closed to commercial herring fishing. Recent fishery information may be obtained at the Kodiak ADF&G office.