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Kotzebue Fishery Advisory Announcement #9

KOTZEBUE COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHING UPDATE

Commercial Salmon Fishing

No additional commercial fishing periods are scheduled for the Kotzebue District for the 2024 season. Catch rates have been poor this season and additional commercial fishing periods are not warranted at this time.

Closed Waters by Emergency Order

In Subdistrict 1 of the Kotzebue District, marine waters adjacent to the end of the runway from the Weather Service Dome south of the main runway to the NANA building north of the main runway and extending one mile offshore into Kotzebue Sound perpendicular to the beach will be closed to subsistence and commercial fishing in order to avoid birds being attracted to fishing nets near the end of the airport runway and becoming a safety hazard.

If you have any questions concerning the fishery you can call the Kotzebue office at 907-442-3420, or the Commercial Fisheries office in Nome at 1-800-560-2271.

Stay safe and good luck.