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Sand Point Commercial Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #26 For Emergency Order #4-FS-M-SP-22-24

Commercial salmon fishing will be allowed for 131 hrs. from 9:00 a.m. Monday, September 9 until 8:00 p.m. Saturday, September 14 in the Beaver Bay, Balboa Bay, Southwest Stepovak, Northwest Stepovak, and East Stepovak Sections of the Southeastern District.

Commercial salmon fishing will be allowed from Monday, September 9 until further notice in the Unimak District; and the Ikatan Bay, Cold Bay, Belkofski, and Volcano Bay Sections of the Southwestern District.

As previously announced:

Commercial salmon fishing will open from 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 27 until further notice in the following Districts and Sections:

Morzhovoi Bay (284-60), Thin Point (284-75), General (stat areas 284-47 and 284-70), and the Deer Island Sections (284-55) of the Southwestern District;
South Central District; and
the Shumagin Islands Section of the Southeastern District.

Commercial salmon fishing will close at 9:00 p.m. Saturday, September 7 in the Beaver Bay, Balboa Bay, Southwest Stepovak, Northwest Stepovak, and East Stepovak Sections of the Southeastern District.

Additionally, **Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the Unimak, Southwestern, South Central, and Southeastern Districts of Area M** during a commercial salmon fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

All closed waters in the above locations will be as described in the regulation book or as adjusted by emergency order.

A copy of the *South Alaska Peninsula Salmon Management Strategy, 2024*, can be found at adfg.alaska.gov/FedAidPDFs/RIR.4K.2024.05.pdf. Hard copies of the management strategy can be obtained at ADF&G offices in Sand Point, Cold Bay, and Port Moller.

Statistical charts and management strategies are available at the Sand Point, Cold Bay, and Port Moller ADF&G offices. Commercial salmon fishing regulations, commercial harvest, escapement, and news releases can be found on the ADF&G website at: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareaakpeninsula.salmon>.