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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #18 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-18-25

There will be a **105-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Sunday, July 20 to 9:00 p.m. Thursday, July 24** in the following areas:

- The **Outer Ayakulik and Halibut Bay Sections** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**;
- The **Eastside Kodiak District**; and
- The **Afognak District** (except the Inner Kitoi Bay, Outer Kitoi Bay and Izhut Bay Sections remain open until further notice).

There will be a **57-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Sunday, July 20 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 22** in the following areas:

- The **Cape Alitak, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, Olga Bay and Humpy-Deadman Bay Sections** of the **Alitak District**; and
- The **Mainland District**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** from **noon Sunday, July 20 to 9:00 p.m. Thursday, July 24** at **Saltery Creek** (stream # 259-415) to the stream terminus.

As Previously Announced:

The **Inner Kitoi Bay, Outer Kitoi Bay, and Izhut Bay Sections** of the **Afognak District** remain open to commercial salmon fishing until **further notice**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **reduced** until further notice in the **Inner Kitoi Bay Section**, to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324).

The **Seaward Zones** of the **Cape Igvak Section** of the **Mainland District** remain closed to commercial salmon fishing.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:00 p.m. on VHF channel 6.

Cost recovery fisheries have begun in the **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA)** and the **Spiridon Bay SHA** will remain **closed** to **common property fishing**. Fishery opportunities in the Spiridon Bay SHA will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs. Cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

Fishermen are reminded that in the **Kodiak Area (including the Mainland District) until further notice, 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.