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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT # 20 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-20-26

There will be a **48-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 15 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, July 17** in the **Outer Ayakulik Section** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**.

As Previously Announced:

The following areas will **close** at **9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 15:**

- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections** of the **Alitak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northeast Kodiak District** (except the Buskin River Section remains closed);
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except that portion of Pasagshak Bay northeast of a line from a point at 57°26.04' N lat. 152°31.13' W long. to a point at 57°25.44' N lat. 152°29.39' W long, remains closed);
- The **Afognak District** (except the Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay Sections remain closed); and
- The **Mainland District** (except the Seaward Zone of the Cape Igvak Section remains closed).

Closed Waters:

Closed waters for Saltery Creek (stream #259-415) are normal closed waters as described in regulation until **9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 15**.

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.

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.

The **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (Telrod Cove)** **remains open** to commercial salmon fishing until **further notice**.

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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.