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Westside Salmon Announcement 20

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an update regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside salmon announcement number 20 issued Friday, June 27 at 3:00 p.m.

The Wood River escapement is likely to hit 1.1 million sockeye salmon today. Based on the Wood River Special Harvest Area (WRSHA) Management Plan, once Wood River escapement reaches 1.1 million sockeye salmon the WRSHA may be opened, concurrently with Nushagak Commercial District fishing, to harvest surplus escapement. The plan specifies that the gear type that is behind on allocation in the commercial district will be allowed to fish in the WRSHA. At this time, we anticipate the WRSHA opening to drift gillnet fishing tomorrow. Permit holders should stand by at all regular announcement times for additional information.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.

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