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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 43 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-43-14

The Inner Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District will <u>open</u> to commercial salmon fishing at **noon Saturday August 30** and will remain <u>open until further notice.</u>

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** from **noon Saturday**, **August 30** <u>until further notice</u> in the following area:

- At Karluk Lagoon's exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #255-101).

There will be a <u>54-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday September 1 to** 6:00 p.m. Wednesday September 3 in the following areas:

- The Outer Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The Mainland District;
- The Northwest Afognak, Shuyak Island, Pauls, Perenosa, and Northeast Afognak sections of the Afognak District;
- The Humpy-Deadman Section of the Alitak District; and
- The Eastside Kodiak District.

As Previously Announced:

The **Outer Kitoi Bay Section** of the **Afognak District** will <u>open</u> to commercial salmon fishing at **noon Friday August 29** and will remain <u>open until further notice.</u>

There will be a <u>54-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Friday August 29 to** 6:00 p.m. Sunday August 31 in the following areas:

- The Cape Alitak, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay sections of the Alitak District.

The following areas will be **extended** from 6:00 p.m. Friday August 29 until further notice:

- The Halibut Bay, Sturgeon, and Outer Karluk sections of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The Central and North Cape sections of the Northwest Kodiak District; and
- The **Southwest Afognak Section** of the **Afognak District**.

The Outer Ayakulik Section is scheduled to <u>close</u> at 6:00 p.m. Friday August 29.

The following area remains open until further notice:

- The Izhut Bay Section of the Afognak District.

In that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, <u>until further notice</u>, 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.

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