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**2014 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release #34
Fall Announcement # 29, District 1 Commercial Period 10**
Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

The 2014 Yukon Area coho salmon run appears to be well above average based on assessment projects. The estimated coho salmon passage at the mainstem sonar near Pilot Station through August 30 was 199,300 fish which is well above the historical median of 114,300 fish for that date. The projected total passage of coho salmon past the mainstem sonar based on normal run timing is 210,000 fish. Providing a coho salmon directed commercial fishery is warranted based on coho salmon run strength. By regulation, a coho salmon directed commercial fishery can occur from September 1 through September 10.

District Y-1

Commercial fishing will be open for one period in all of District 1, including the **Coastal Set Net Only Area**, on Monday, September 1 from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m. This will be a 9-hour commercial fishing period with gillnets restricted to 6 inch or smaller mesh.

Subsistence fishing will close on Sunday, August 31 at 12:00 midnight and reopen at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 2. Subsistence fishermen may use gillnets with a maximum mesh size of 7.5 inches.

Recorded fishery announcements and updates will be available 24 hours a day at 949-1731 and 459-7387 (toll free outside of Fairbanks 1-866-479-7387). If you have any questions regarding this report, please call the Emmonak ADF&G office at 949-1320 or the Fairbanks office at 459-7274. The Emmonak ADF&G office will stand by on VHF channel 7A.

This has been an announcement by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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