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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 02 Emergency Order 06

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in King Salmon with an update for Ugashik District fishermen. The north line of the Ugashik District is being moved approximately one mile south to provide a buffer zone for walrus present in the area. This new Ugashik District line will be in effect until further notice starting with the commercial fishing period that opens on 9:00 a.m. Monday June 13, 2016.

This action is being taken in consultation with the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Walrus are occupying a haul out near Cape Grieg and are milling/feeding in the near shore area.

The new northern line of the Ugashik District will be defined by the following points:

The northeastern (onshore) corner will be located at 57° 42.69' N by 157° 42.30' W. The northwestern (offshore) corner will be located at 57° 42.69' N by 157° 44.47' W.

All other district reference points (the southern boundary, upper river boundary) remain unchanged.

All vessels transiting the area are asked to maintain one nautical- mile of distance from the haul out when traveling to or from the Ugashik District.

This has been the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game in King Salmon.

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