

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES  
NEWS RELEASE**



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**NEXT SHAKTOOLIK AND UNALAKLEET COMMERCIAL SALMON  
OPENINGS**

Commercial salmon fishing will open for 12 hours, from 12 noon until 12 midnight on July 6 and July 7, in Norton Sound Subdistricts 5 and 6, the Shaktoolik and Unalakleet Subdistricts.

The buyer has notified the department that pink salmon catches have dropped off in yesterday's 10-hour fishing period with Unalakleet fishermen catching 6,100 pinks and 855 chums and the buyer has requested two 12 hour fishing periods over the next two days.

Here are cumulative escapement counts in Norton Sound:

Unalakleet River: 240 kings, 14,000 chums, 850,000 pinks  
North River: 117 kings, 3,300 chums, 87,000 pinks  
Shaktoolik River: 258 kings, 8,000 chums, 170,000 pinks  
Inglutalik River: 2,300 kings, 17,000 chums, 1,800 pinks  
Kwiniuk River: 87 kings, 5,700 chums, 103,000 pinks  
Fish River: 642 kings, 38,000 chums, 73,000 pinks  
Eldorado River: 1 king, 5,600 chums, 300 pinks  
Pilgrim River: 1 king, 1,500 chums, 65 pinks, 2,600 sockeyes  
Nome River: 200 chums, 1,200 pinks, 3 sockeyes  
Snake River: 250 chums, 50 pinks  
Solomon River: 14 chums