

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



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KOTZEBUE COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY REOPENS ON WEDNESDAY**

The buyer has notified the department they will again be buying salmon Wednesday, July 20.

In an earlier news release the department had incorrectly stated the upcoming fishing periods for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday would start at 8 a.m. The correct starting time for the fishing periods will be 10 a.m. and the fishing periods will be 8 hours in length.

The cumulative catch in the Kotzebue commercial fishery is 35,000 chum salmon and is one-third less than last year for this same time period. Fishery effort has also been down one-third compared to last year.

Commercial salmon fishing periods for this week will be from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

If you have any questions concerning the fishery you can call the Kotzebue office at 442-3420, or the Commercial Fisheries office in Nome at 1-800-560-2271.