# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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## 2017 Yukon River Summer Salmon Fishery News Release # 10 **District 1 Commercial Fishing Schedule**

Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

Commercial fishing with selective gear (dip net and beach seine) is being provided in District 1 to target summer chum salmon while conserving Chinook salmon. Catches of summer chum salmon with these selective gear types may fluctuate between periods as the run builds in the lower river. All Chinook salmon must be released alive from dip nets and beach seines and recorded on a fish ticket. Commercial fishing will be placed on a schedule while fishing with selective gear. Fishermen must make sure they have a buyer before fishing each opening. To determine if there is an opening each day, call the buyer, or the recorded fishing schedule at (866) 479-7387.

#### **Management Actions**

#### **District 1 (including Black River) Commercial:**

Effective 3 p.m. Monday, June 12, commercial fishing will be open for six 12-hour periods per week with dip nets and beach seines on the following schedule:

- 3 p.m. Mondays to 3 a.m. Tuesdays
- 3 p.m. Tuesdays to 3 a.m. Wednesdays
- 3 p.m. Wednesdays to 3 a.m. Thursdays
- 3 p.m. Thursdays to 3 a.m. Fridays
- 3 p.m. Fridays to 3 a.m. Saturdays
- 3 p.m. Saturday to 3 a.m. Sunday

All Chinook salmon caught in dip net and beach seine gear must be released alive immediately and recorded on your fish ticket.

Subsistence fishing is closed one hour before, during and one hour after commercial openings.

### **District 1 (including Black River and North Coastal District) Subsistence:**

Subsistence salmon fishing is open with dip nets and beach seines only to target summer chum salmon on the following weekly schedule:

From 4 a.m. Sundays until 2 p.m. Mondays (34-hr period); and

From 4 a.m. until 2 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays (10-hr period each day)

#### **General Reminders:**

Dip net mesh size is restricted to 4.5-inch or smaller.

Beach seines must be set from the beach and hauled to the beach. Beach seine gear may not exceed 150 fathoms in length, 100 meshes in depth, and 4-inches stretched measure. Beach seines may not be constructed of monofilament webbing.

Fishing schedules, test fish catches and sonar counts are available 24 hours a day at (866) 479-7387 (toll free); in Fairbanks, call (907) 459-7387.

If you have any questions, please call ADF&G in Emmonak at 949-1320.

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