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**Westside Salmon Announcement 25
Emergency Order**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an update regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside salmon announcement number 25 issued Tuesday, July 4, at 12:00 p.m.

Fishing is open and will continue as previously announced. For the second time this year and in the history of this district the daily sockeye salmon harvest exceeded one million. The reported harvest yesterday was 1,201,281 sockeye salmon. The cumulative Nushagak District harvest is 5.2 million. There are 542 permits and 421 vessels registered to fish in the Nushagak District. The drift gillnet harvest percentage is 74.8% with a target of 74.0%.

Sockeye salmon escapements are as follows: Wood River, 1.29 million through 6:00 a.m., Nushagak River, 1.16 million through midnight, Igushik River 135,000 through 6:00 a.m. The Nushagak king salmon escapement was 1,065 yesterday for a cumulative of 43,316.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.