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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 37 Emergency Order 41

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in King Salmon with an announcement for Naknek-Kvichak District fishermen. The time is 9:00 a.m. and the date is Saturday, July 8, 2017.

The Naknek River escapement on July 7 was 145,000 and the 6:00 a.m. count was 7,900 for a cumulative of 1,091,000. The Kvichak River escapement on July 7 was 293,000 and the 6:00 a.m. count was 36,000 for a cumulative of 1,160,000. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 100,000. The Alagnak River escapement on July 7 was 37,000 and the 6:00 a.m. count was 6,750 for a cumulative of 738,000. Harvest from July 7 was 540,000 for a cumulative of 2,660,000. The allocation through July 6 was 71% Drift, 19% Naknek set, and 10% Kvichak set.

The Naknek-Kvichak District will open to set gillnet gear for a 7.5-hour period from 11:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Saturday, July 8, 2017. The Naknek Section will open to drift gillnet gear for a 6.5-hour period from 12:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Saturday, July 8, 2017.

Fishermen should be sure of their market before fishing and all king salmon must be recorded on a fish ticket.

Fishermen in the Naknek-Kvichak District should stand-by at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, July 8.

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

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