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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 33
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There will be a **72-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 3 to 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 6** in the following areas:

- The **Northwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Southwest Afognak Section of the Afognak District**;
- The **Eastside Kodiak District**, and;
- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay sections** of the **Alitak District.**

There will be a **54-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday, September 4 to 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 6** in the following areas:

- The **Mainland District**;
- The **Southeast Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Raspberry Strait, Shuyak Island, Pauls Bay, Perenosa Bay, Northeast Afognak, and Duck Bay sections** of the **Afognak District**, and;
- The **Outer Ayakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District.**

As Previously Announced:

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are **reduced until further notice** at **Humpy Cove**, **to the stream terminus of Humpy Creek** (stream # 257-701), and stream # 257-703.

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Cost recovery fisheries began in the Kitoi Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA) on August 5. Fishing opportunities in the Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs, and all cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

Until further notice, **Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear** and must be returned to the water unharmed within the **portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk**.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.

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