## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## YAKUTAT COMMERCIAL SET GILLNET FALL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT

Yakutat...The Alaska Department of Fish and Game today announced the following information concerning the Yakutat Area commercial set gillnet fishery1

Alsek River: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13.

<u>East River</u>: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13.

<u>Yakutat Bay</u>: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13.

<u>Dangerous River</u>: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13.

<u>Akwe River:</u> will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13.

**Lost River:** will remain closed until further notice.

<u>Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet</u>: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13 with the following restrictions:

**Mouth of Situk River:** Commercial set gillnet fishing is prohibited upstream of a line form the ADF&G regulatory marker located on the western bank of the Situk River mouth near the Yakutat Seafoods buying station, **to an ADF&G regulatory marker buoy** anchored in the channel directly off the mouth of the Situk River, and to an ADF&G regulatory marker on the cut bank on the eastern side of the mouth of Johnson Slough.

**Chinook Salmon Retention:** The commercial fishery for Chinook salmon remains closed. Chinook salmon may not be retained for sale or personal use. Chinook salmon found dead in the net must have the dorsal fin removed and be delivered to a buyer at the time of sockeye salmon sale for distribution to needy in the community.

Mouth of the Lost River: The regulatory markers have been moved back to locations set in regulation. Commercial fishing is prohibited upstream in the Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet from ADF&G regulatory markers located approximately 500 yards upstream and 500 yards downstream from the terminus of the Lost River mouth.

<u>Manby Shore-Outside Waters</u>: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13.

<u>Manby Shore-Inside Waters</u>: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13.

Remainder of the Yakutat District, including Yana and Yahtse Rivers: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 10 through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 13.

<u>Yakataga District, including the Kaliakh River</u>: will be open from 9:00 a.m., Sunday, September 10 through 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 13.

**Tsiu River:** will be closed until further notice.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1Y3117.

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