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**2017 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 62
Yukon River District 6 Subsistence and Personal Use Fishing**
Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area
Fall Season Emergency Order # 54

The 2017 fall chum salmon total run size projection, based on inseason assessment, is 2.5 million fish. This level of abundance should be sufficient to provide for escapement, an above average subsistence harvest, and a surplus available for commercial and personal use purposes. Therefore, the department is relaxing the subsistence and personal use fishing schedule to 24 hours per day, 7 days per week for the remainder of the fall season.

District 6 Subsistence and Personal Use Fishing:

Subsistence salmon fishing in Subdistricts 6-A and 6-B, and personal use salmon fishing in Subdistrict 6-C, is open for two 42-hour periods each week, from 6:00 p.m. Mondays until 12:00 noon Wednesdays and from 6:00 p.m. Fridays until 12:00 noon Sundays. The Old Minto area is open to subsistence salmon fishing five days per week from 6:00 p.m. Fridays until 6:00 p.m. Wednesdays. Fishermen may use 7.5-inch or smaller mesh size gillnets and fish wheels.

Effective 12:00 noon Wednesday, September 27, subsistence and personal use salmon fishing in District 6, including the Old Minto area, will be open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Fishermen may use 7.5-inch or smaller mesh size gillnets and fish wheels.

A subsistence and personal use salmon fishing permit is required for District 6; please contact the Fairbanks office at 459-7274.

Fishing schedules are available 24 hours a day at **1-866-479-7387** or in Fairbanks call **459-7387**. If you have any questions regarding this report, please call the Fairbanks ADF&G office at 459-7274.

This has been an announcement by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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