

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**  
**DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES**  
**NEWS RELEASE**



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**UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT No. 7**  
**EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 2S-07-18**

Upper Cook Inlet (UCI) Commercial Fishing Announcement No. 7 opens commercial salmon fishing with set gillnets in the Kasilof Section of the Upper Subdistrict from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 7, 2018.

Drift gillnetting will be open in the Kasilof Section (not the Expanded Kasilof Section) of the Upper Subdistrict from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 7, 2018.

Fishing in the above described waters is warranted in order to harvest sockeye salmon returning to the Kasilof River.

The Kenai River late-run king salmon sport fishery was restricted to fishing with no bait beginning on July 1, 2018. According to 5 AAC 21.359(e)(3)(A) *Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan*, if the use of bait is prohibited in the sport fishery, commercial fishing periods in the Upper Subdistrict set gillnet fishery, excluding the East Foreland Section, are open for no more than 48 hours per week beginning July 1, with a 36-hour continuous closure per week beginning between 7:00 p.m. Thursday and 7:00 a.m. Friday. With this announcement, the Kasilof Section set gillnet fishery will have fished 24 hours for the management week of July 1 through July 7.

Fish harvested in the set gillnet fishery during this fishing period should be reported in statistical areas 244-21, 244-22, or 244-31. Please see UCI Emergency Order no. 5 for a description of set gillnet statistical areas in the Upper Subdistrict.

Fish harvested in the drift fishery during this fishing period should be reported in statistical area 244-61.