

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



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**Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 31  
Emergency Order 48**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in King Salmon with an announcement for Naknek-Kvichak District fishermen. The time is 12:00 noon and the date is Saturday, July 7, 2018.

On July 6, the Naknek River escapement was 107,000 sockeye for a cumulative of 869,000 sockeye, which is within the escapement goal; the Kvichak River escapement was 94,000 sockeye for a cumulative of 262,000; and the Alagnak River escapement was 25,000 sockeye for a cumulative of 100,000. The Kvichak in-river estimate is 500,000. Harvest on July 6 was an estimated 210,000 sockeye for a cumulative of 1,102,000 sockeye.

The Naknek River Special Harvest Area (NRSHA) will open to drift gillnet gear for an 8.5-hour period from 8:00 p.m. Saturday, July 7 until 4:30 a.m. Sunday, July 8 and again for an 8-hour period from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Sunday, July 8.

As stated in 5 AAC 06.360 *Naknek River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan*, the NRSHA consists of the waters of the Naknek River from a line between the ADF&G regulatory markers located at 58° 43.37' N. lat., 157° 03.17' W. long. and 58° 42.67' N. lat., 157° 03.44' W. long. and upstream to the powerlines across the river.

When drift gillnet fishing in the NRSHA no more than 75 fathoms may be in the water at one time and a vessel may not have more than 150 fathoms on board. No part of a drift gillnet may be operated within 150 feet of a set gillnet. Subsistence fishing with set gillnets in the Naknek River will remain open.

Processors, please use Stat. Area Code 324-25 for these NRSHA drift gillnet fishing periods.

Fishermen in the Naknek-Kvichak District should stand-by at 12:00 noon Sunday, July 8 for the next possible announcement.

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

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