

# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

### NEWS RELEASE



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Time: 12:00 p.m.

#### **Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 32 Emergency Order 49, 50**

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

In Egegik- Harvest on July 6 was 230,000 fish. Through July 6, cumulative harvest is 1.5 million fish. Escapement on July 6 was 131,000 sockeye, cumulative escapement is 834,000 sockeye and is within the escapement goal range.

Commercial fishing will be permitted in Egegik River Special Harvest Area with drift gillnet gear from 8:00 p.m. Saturday July 7 until 1:00 a.m. Sunday July 8, 2018.....a 5 hour period. Commercial fishing will be permitted with set gillnet gear from 6:30 p.m. Saturday July 7, 2018 until 2:30 a.m. Sunday July 8, 2018.....an 8 hour period. Commercial fishing will be permitted in the Egegik River Special Harvest Area with set and drift gillnet gear from 6:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Sunday July 8, 2018..... an 8 hour period. Stat areas are the same as for the full district

The boundaries of the district will be as found in **5 AAC 06.359 Egegik River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan. (b)**

In Ugashik- Harvest on July 6 was 36,000. Through July 6, cumulative harvest is 400,000 fish. Escapement on July 6 was 18,000 sockeye and cumulative escapement is 78,000 sockeye. Escapement is falling behind desired levels and as a result the Ugashik District will not open on July 8 to allow for escapement.

Subsistence fishing will be permitted in the Ugashik District from 12:00 noon Saturday July 7, 2018 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday July 8, 2018..... a 36 hour period.

Egegik and Ugashik permit holders are reminded that all drift gillnet boats are limited to a maximum of 150 fathoms of drift gillnet gear on board while the Naknek River Special harvest area is in use.

Egegik and Ugashik District fishermen should stand by at 12:00 noon Sunday July 8 for the next possible announcement.

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

Read on VHF 7: July 7, 2018 12:00 p.m.  
Connected EO's: 2F-T-49-18; and 2F-T-50-18