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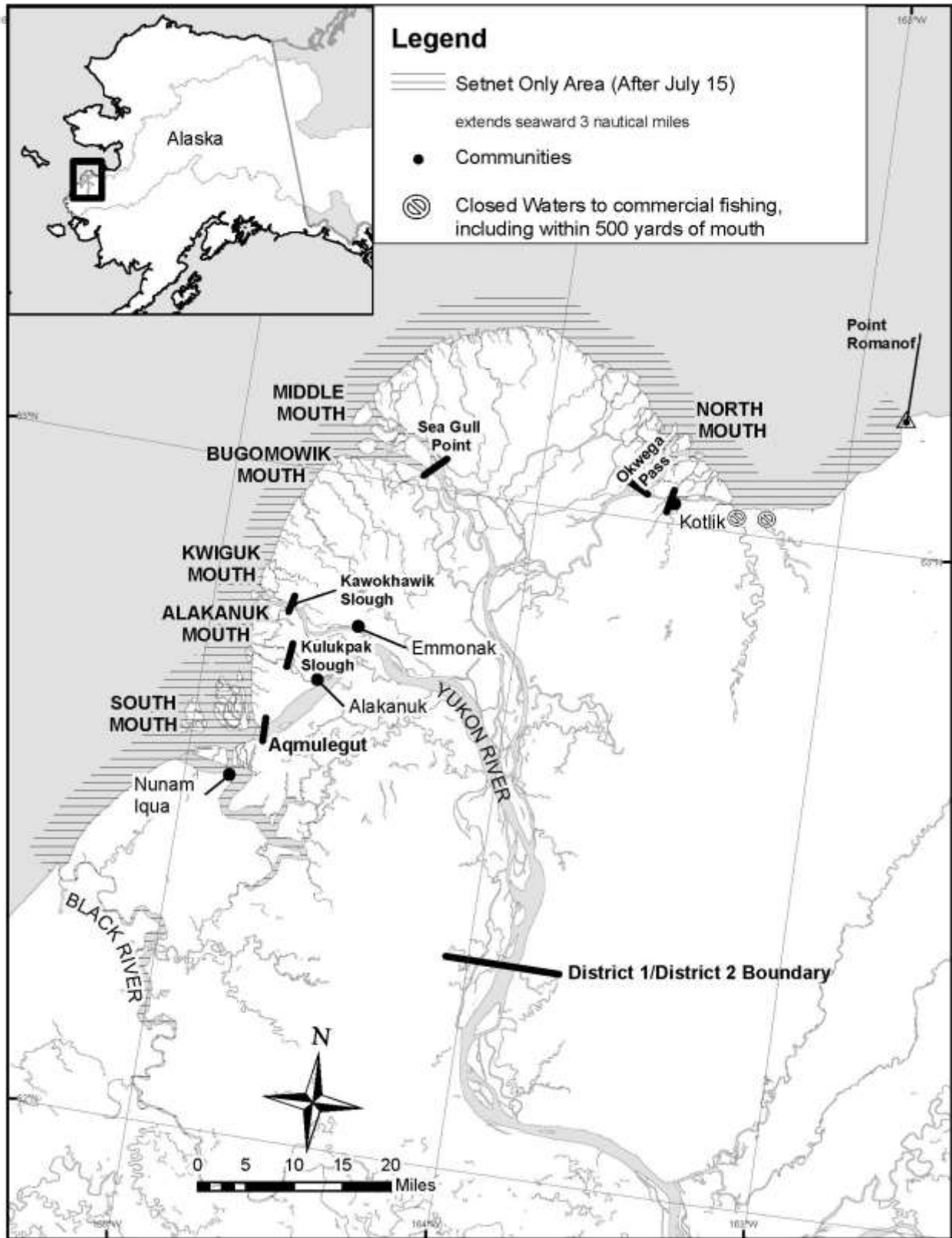
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**2018 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 1
District 1 Set Net Only Area Registration
Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area**

The Yukon River Drainage Fall Chum Salmon Management Plan goes into effect in District 1 beginning July 16. Upriver management districts and subdistricts will switch to fall season management as the fall chum salmon migration reaches those areas. The ADF&G field office located in Emmonak will continue to be open on Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Fishermen intending to commercial fish in the **Set Net Only Area** portion of District 1 (see attached map) must register **prior** to the first fall season commercial fishing period. Under new regulations adopted at the 2018 Statewide Alaska Board of Fisheries Meeting in March, the Set Net Only Area now includes coastal waters within 3 nautical miles seaward from any grassland bank in District 1 (see map). Registration can be completed by calling the Emmonak Fish and Game office at 949-1320. There is a 72-hour waiting period to transfer into and out of the **Set Net Only Area** once you have commercially fished in the Set Net Only Area or in the remainder of District 1. The waiting period begins once you have notified the department of your intentions to transfer. For those individuals who are intending to fish in the remainder of District 1, no special registration is required and those fishermen will be registered to the district where their first delivery is made.



Map of District 1 boundaries for the Fall Season Commercial Salmon Fishery.