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Westside Salmon Announcement 34 **Emergency Order 37**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside salmon announcement number 34 issued Thursday, July 12 at 3:00 p.m.

Nushagak sockeye salmon escapement was 37,307 yesterday for a cumulative of 735,512. Nushagak king salmon escapement was 2,002 for a cumulative of 84,145. Wood River sockeye salmon escapement was 284,040 yesterday and 56,088 this morning for a cumulative of 5.6 million. Igushik River escapement is 289,656 through 6:00 a.m. this morning. The Nushagak District Harvest was 1.36 million yesterday for a total harvest of 17.8 million. There are 971 permits and 720 vessels registered for the Nushagak District.

Drift gillnet fishing in progress will close as scheduled at 10:30 a.m. July 13. Drift gillnet fishing will open again in the Nushagak and Igushik Sections from 1:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. July 13. Processors and tenders please use stat area 325-00 for drift gillnet fish tickets and 325-41 for WRSFA fish tickets.

Effective immediately, the transfer period into the Nushagak District is waived. Drift gillnet permit holders must still notify the department of a transfer but may fish immediately. Permit holders are reminded that they must deliver fish in the district that they are harvested in. For set gillnet permit holders in the Nushagak District the transfer period is also waived. Set gillnet permit holders may transfer between stat areas without further registration or notification to the department. Fish must still be documented on fish tickets in the areas in which they were harvested.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.

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