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**KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT #37
For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-37-18**

There will be a **72-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 21 to 6:00 p.m. Friday, August 24** in the following areas:

- The **Outer Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District;**
- The **Central and North Cape sections of the Northwest Kodiak District;** and
- The **Southwest Afognak Section of the Afognak District.**

There will be a **54-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Wednesday, August 22 to 6:00 p.m. Friday, August 24** in the following areas:

- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay sections of the Alitak District;** and
- The **Outer Ayakulik, Sturgeon and Halibut Bay sections of the Southwest Kodiak District.**

The following areas will **close** to commercial salmon fishing at **6:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 22.**

- The **Outer Kitoi and Duck Bay sections of the Afognak District;** and
- The **Izhut Bay Section south of a line from Haystack Rock** (at 58° 10.58' N lat., 152° 17.36' W long.) **to Pillar Cape** (at 58° 08.90' N lat., 152° 06.77' W long.).

As Previously Announced:

The following areas remain **open** to commercial salmon fishing **until further notice**:

- The **Izhut Bay Section** **north of a line from Haystack Rock** (at 58° 10.58' N lat., 152° 17.36' W long.) **to Pillar Cape** (at 58° 08.90' N lat., 152° 06.77' W long.);
- The **Dog Salmon Flats Section** of the **Alitak District**.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are reduced **until further notice** in the following areas of the **Dog Salmon Flats Section**:

- To the ADF&G markers located at the stream termini of **Dog Salmon Creek** (stream #257-403); and
- To the ADF&G markers located near **Horse Marine Lagoon** (stream #257-402).

Until further notice, in that **portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk**, **Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear** in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.