ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT #42 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-42-18

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

- 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.

The Halibut Bay and Sturgeon sections of the Southwest Kodiak District will <u>open</u> to commercial salmon fishery at **noon Friday**, August 31 and remain **open until further notice**.

There will be a <u>54-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Friday**, **August 31 to 6:00 p.m. Sunday**, **September 2** in the following areas:

- The Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay sections of the Alitak District:
- The Outer Avakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The Uyak Bay, Zachar Bay, Spiridon Bay, Inner Uganik Bay, Terror Bay, Sharatin Bay and Anton Larsen Bay sections of the Northwest Kodiak District;
- The Southeast Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Raspberry Strait, Shuyak Island, Pauls Bay, Perenosa Bay, and Northeast Afognak sections of the Afognak District; and
- The **Big River** and **Hallo Bay sections** of the **Mainland District**.

As Previously Announced:

The following areas remain <u>open</u> to commercial salmon fishing <u>until further notice</u>:

The Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay sections of the Afognak District.

<u>Until further notice</u>, in that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts, south of a 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.