

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
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NEWS RELEASE**



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**2018 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 60
District 1 Commercial Periods 19 and 20 and Subsistence Schedule
Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area**

District 1 Commercial Fishing:

Commercial fishing will open for two 9-hour periods in the **Set Net Only Area** of District 1 with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets:

Period 19: Sunday, September 9 from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m.

Period 20: Monday, September 10 from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m.

Commercial fishing will open for two 6-hour periods in the **remainder of District 1** with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets:

Period 19: Sunday, September 9 from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Period 20: Monday, September 10 from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Pastolik and Pastoliak Rivers:

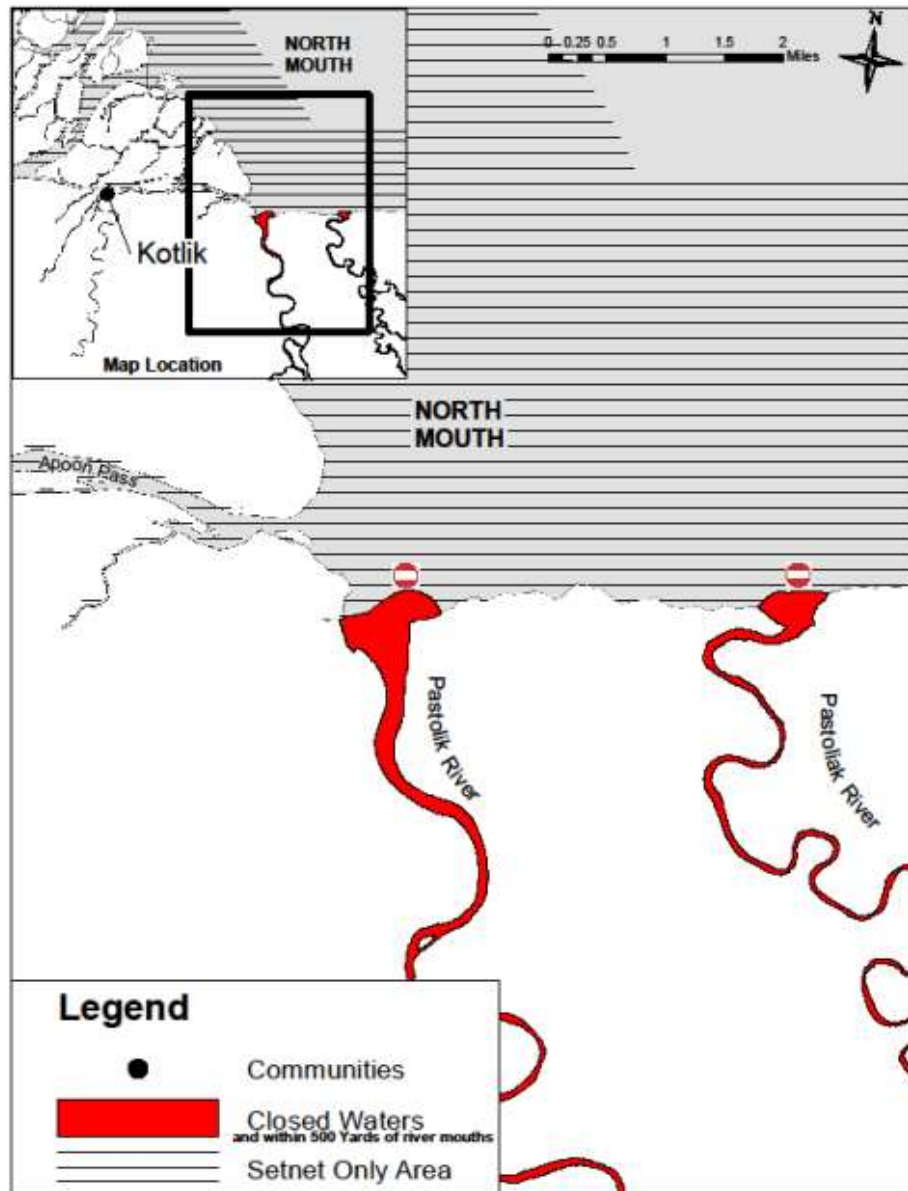
The Pastolik and Pastoliak rivers near Apoon Pass, including 500 yards around their mouths (see map below), are closed to commercial fishing. Also, subsistence fishing with gillnets is closed in these waters, including gillnets with 4-inch mesh or less, for closures before, during, and after each commercial opening.

District 1 Subsistence Fishing:

Subsistence salmon fishing in District 1 is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week with gillnets restricted to a maximum mesh size of 7.5 inches, except for closures before, during, and after each commercial fishing period. **For these commercial openings, subsistence salmon fishing in District 1, including the Pastolik and Pastoliak Rivers, will close at 12:00 midnight Saturday, September 8, and reopen at 3:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 11.**

The Emmonak field office closed for the season. For information regarding schedules and commercial openings, please call (866) 479-7387. You can also contact the Fairbanks office Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. at 459-7274.

This is an announcement by the ADF&G in consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



Map showing location of Pastolik and Pastoliak Rivers closed to commercial fishing.
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