

Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Working Group

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Meeting Agenda

Date: July 8, 2026

Time: 10 am

Place: Bethel, AK

Time Called to Order:

Chair:

ROLL CALL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Downriver Elder:
Lower River Subsistence:
Middle River Subsistence:
Upriver Elder:
Upper River Subsistence:
Headwaters Subsistence:
Sport Fisher:

QUORUM MET? Yes / No

Commercial Fisher:
Member at Large:
2nd Member at Large:
Western Interior RAC:
Y-K Delta RAC:
KRITFC:
ADF&G:

INTRODUCTIONS: *ADF&G, USFWS, KRITFC, ONC, NVN, AVCP, media, government representatives, public, others.*

INVOCATION:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: *the agenda may be amended at this time.*

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD: *Non-Working Group Members*

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

A. Subsistence Reports: Lowest River, Lower River, Middle River, Upper River, Headwaters

B. Kuskokwim River project updates:

1. ADF&G - Weirs, sonar, and telemetry. – Sean Larson
2. USFWS - Outgoing smolt, Kwethluk weir, fishing boat counts.
3. NVN - Aniak test fish, Salmon Aniak weir and camera, outgoing smolt. – Dan Gillikin
4. ONC - In-season harvest estimates, test fish distribution. – Jacob Wade
5. KRITFC – Harvest and effort estimates, camera-based monitoring, and weirs. – Justin Leon

C. Marine Fishery Report: KRITFC

D. Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge Fishery Management update – Spencer Rearden and Kevin Whitworth

E. ADF&G management update – Sam Decker

OLD BUSINESS:

F. Elections – Charles Guest

G. AG Decision on Area M Regulations

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMENTS FROM WORKING GROUP MEMBERS:

NEXT MEETING DATE: _____ **Time:** _____ **Place:** _____

Kuskokwim River Salmon Assessment Update

7/6/2026



The data summaries presented in this document are provided by ADF&G. **All data and analyses contained are preliminary and are subject to change, so please make interpretations carefully.**

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Abbreviations

- ATF: Aniak Test Fishery
- CPUE: Catch-per-unit-effort
- ADF&G: Alaska Department of Fish and Game
- USFWS: United States Fish and Wildlife Service

To view escapement information, please visit the ADF&G Kuskokwim River Fish Counts page

- <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareakuskokwim.salmon#fishcounts>

For the most up-to-date information regarding fishing opportunities please visit

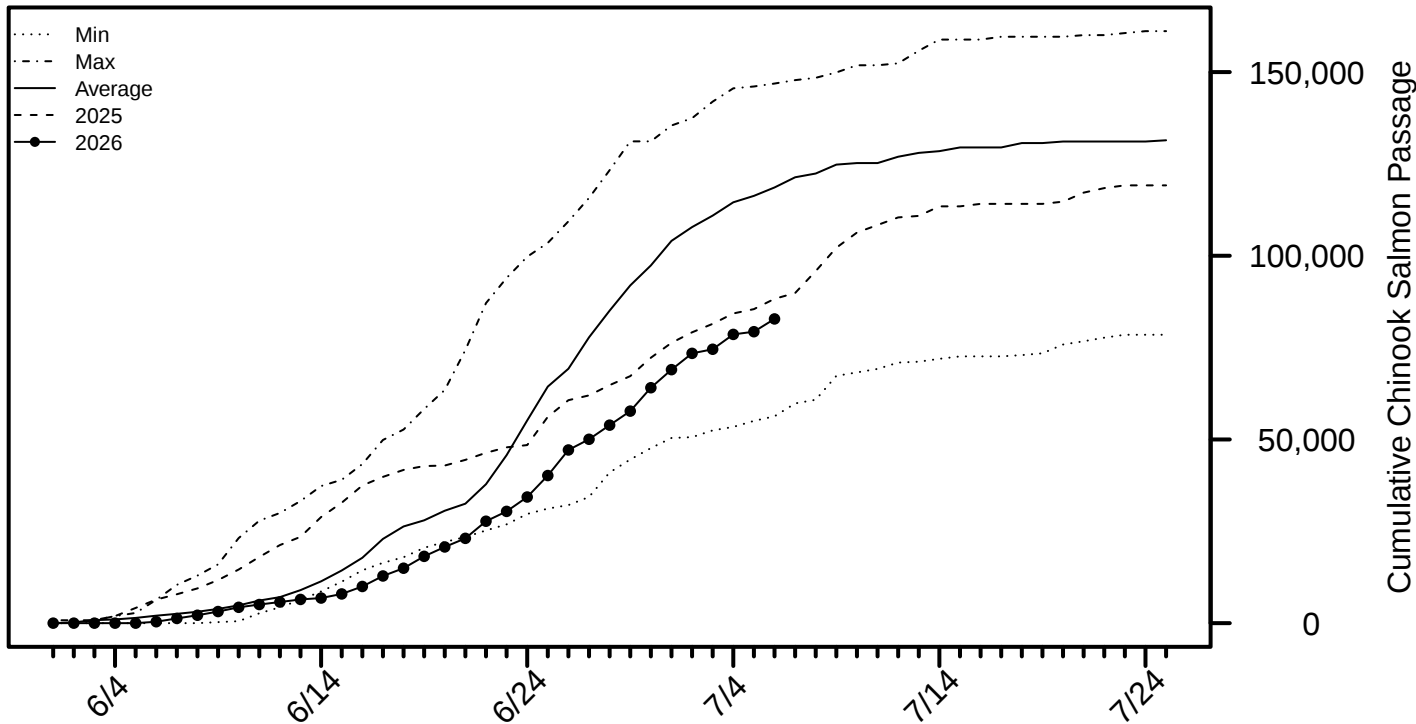
- USFWS: https://www.fws.gov/refuge/yukon_delta/wildlife_and_habitat/dailyupdate.html
- ADF&G: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main>

Chinook Salmon Summary (7/6)

Based on Kuskokwim River Sonar and Aniak Test Fishery

- The sonar daily passage was **3,471**.
- The sonar cumulative passage is now **82,804**.
- The average sonar cumulative passage is **97,455** for this date.
- **43%** of years since 2018 fell below the cumulative passage for this date.
- **72% - 84%** of the run is likely complete based on historical run timing at the sonar.
- *The drainagewide escapement goal for Chinook salmon is 65,000-120,000 fish.*

Chinook Salmon Figure 1: The cumulative sonar passage from 2026 plotted along with the prior year, a year with near average (2018-2025) cumulative passage (2018), and years with the minimum (2023) and maximum (2019) cumulative passage.



Chinook Salmon Table 1. Cumulative passage at the Kuskokwim River sonar. Average includes years 2018-2025. *Note: Estimates are subject to change.*

Date	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	Average
7/3	74,557	81,471	79,611	52,469	113,935	68,195	69,456	141,957	110,932	89,753
7/4	78,598	84,298	89,927	53,415	115,169	69,965	71,162	145,581	114,555	93,009
7/5	79,333	85,478	95,232	55,047	116,845	71,465	73,374	146,083	116,303	94,978
7/6	82,804	88,282	98,875	56,304	118,985	73,796	77,928	146,879	118,590	97,455
EOS		120,492	142,662	79,166	145,896	102,549	106,764	161,888	132,971	124,048

Chinook Salmon Table 2. Cumulative CPUE from the ATF. Average includes years 2015-2025.

Date	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	Average
7/3	447	1,323	1,404	435	1,027	1,121	1,142	1,586	522	1,614
7/4	473	1,331	1,596	497	1,027	1,256	1,223	1,628	530	1,716
7/5	473	1,367	1,769	529	1,089	1,396	1,299	1,691	570	1,813
7/6	512	1,374	1,857	604	1,115	1,551	1,353	1,691	629	1,895
EOS		1,436	2,673	748	1,277	1,891	1,874	1,691	820	2,233

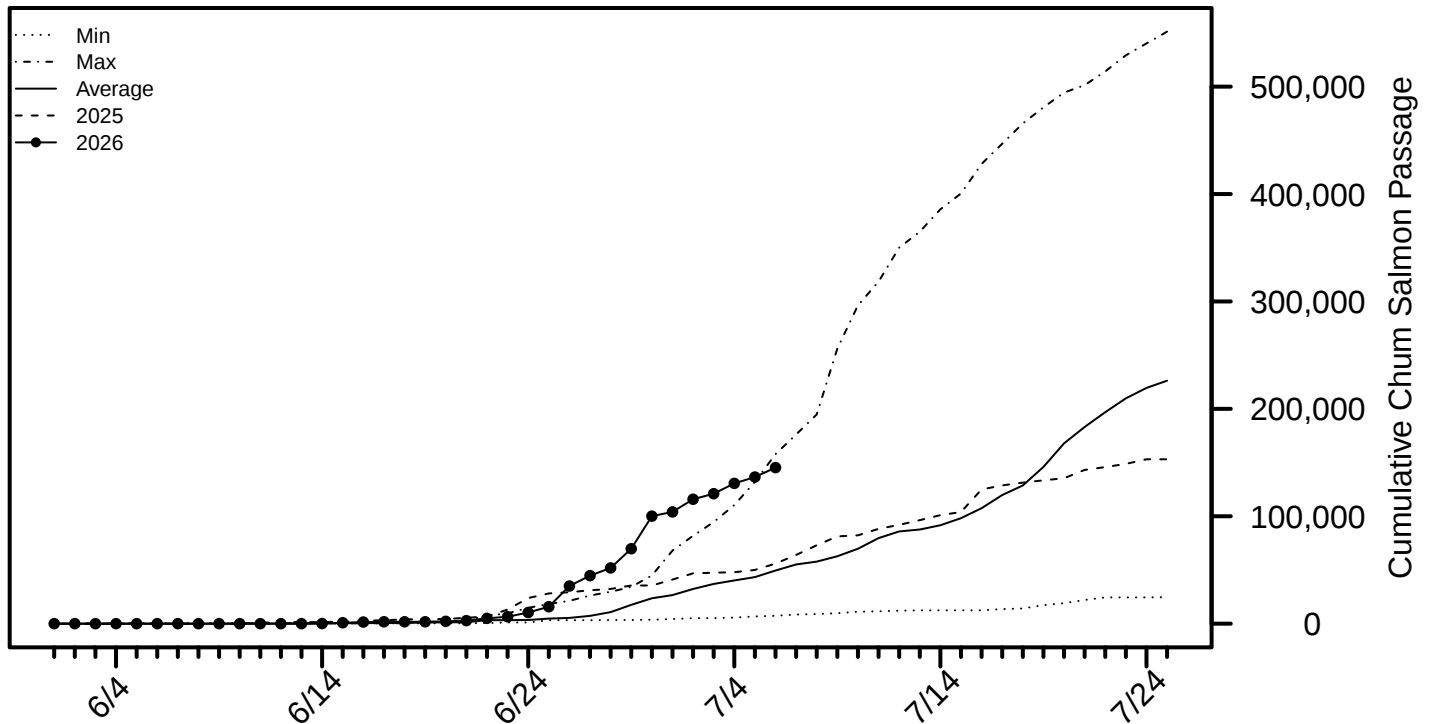
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Chum Salmon Summary (7/6)

Based on Kuskokwim River Sonar and Aniak Test Fishery

- The sonar daily passage was **8,763**.
- The sonar cumulative passage is now **145,299**.
- The average sonar cumulative passage is **65,412** for this date.
- **100%** of years since 2018 fell below the cumulative passage for this date
- **26% - 32%** of the run is likely complete based on historical run timing at the sonar.

Chum Salmon Figure 1: The cumulative sonar passage from 2026 plotted along with the prior year, a year with near average (2018-2025) cumulative passage (2023), and years with the minimum (2021) and maximum (2018) cumulative passage. *Note: Chum salmon passage is considered a minimum and should be viewed as an index for inseason management purposes.*



Chum Salmon Table 1. Cumulative passage at the Kuskokwim River sonar. Average includes years 2018-2025. *Note: Estimates are subject to change.*

Date	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	Average
7/3	121,012	47,439	43,954	37,005	16,278	5,149	13,790	87,366	94,602	43,198
7/4	130,594	47,902	59,436	40,251	17,121	5,660	16,784	99,407	110,428	49,624
7/5	136,536	50,028	74,877	43,340	26,654	6,751	19,703	113,043	132,004	58,300
7/6	145,299	55,927	74,877	49,482	28,897	7,330	23,813	125,151	157,823	65,412
EOS		159,622	253,825	251,542	103,864	26,973	76,432	385,409	552,011	226,210

Chum Salmon Table 2. Cumulative CPUE from the ATF. Average includes years 2015-2025.

Date	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	Average
7/3	613	823	1,888	193	283	34	628	634	3,129	1,346
7/4	713	838	2,434	265	304	52	808	778	3,445	1,599
7/5	713	873	2,798	334	368	89	961	1,051	3,958	1,864
7/6	891	888	2,878	426	408	129	1,140	1,051	4,603	2,092
EOS		948	5,906	996	952	267	2,611	1,051	10,277	4,143

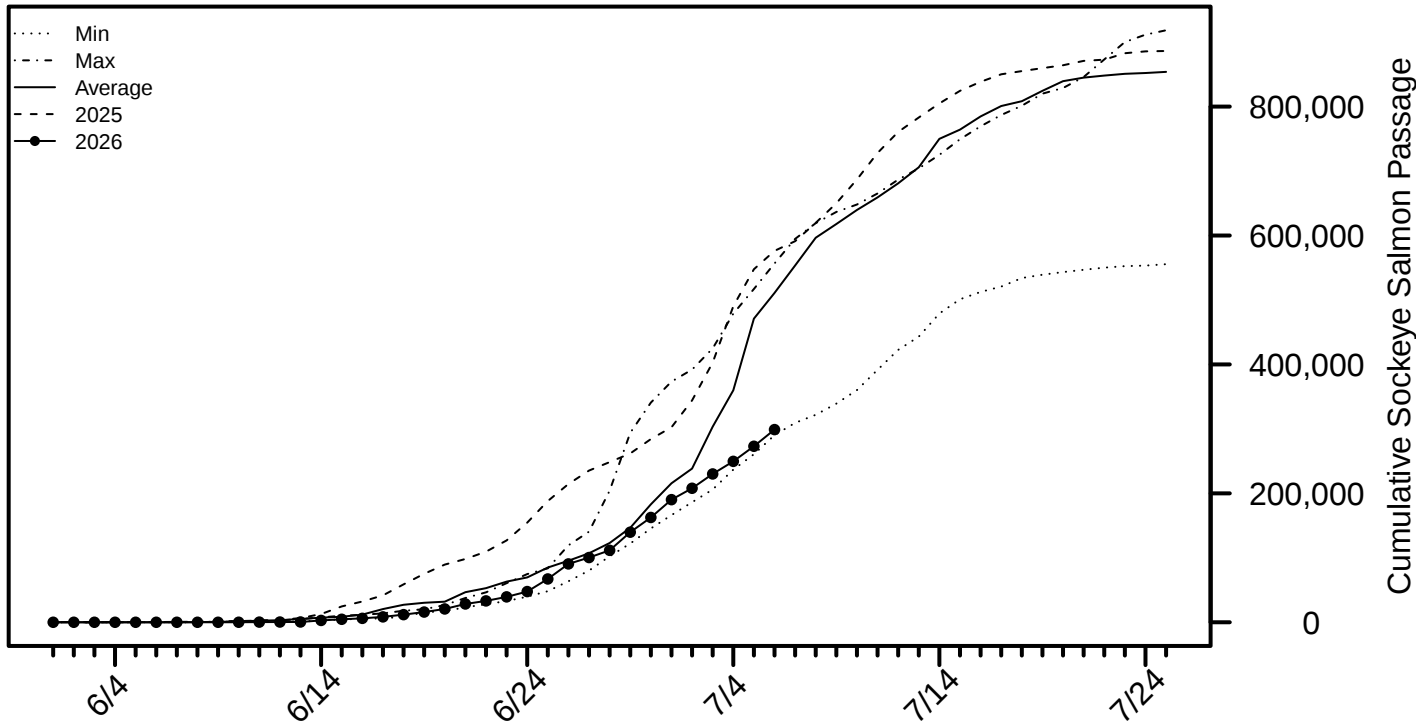
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Sockeye Salmon Summary (7/6)

Based on Kuskokwim River Sonar and Aniak Test Fishery

- The sonar daily passage was **25,849**.
- The sonar cumulative passage is now **298,894**.
- The average sonar cumulative passage is **434,697** for this date.
- **14%** of years since 2018 fell below the cumulative passage for this date
- **50% - 63%** of the run is likely complete based on historical run timing at the sonar.

Sockeye Salmon Figure 1: The cumulative sonar passage from 2026 plotted along with the prior year, a year with near average (2018-2025) cumulative passage (2021), and years with the minimum (2020) and maximum (2019) cumulative passage.



Sockeye Salmon Table 1. Cumulative passage at the Kuskokwim River sonar. Average includes years 2018-2025. *Note: Estimates are subject to change.*

Date	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	Average
7/3	230,081	402,906	330,310	316,086	338,821	303,392	205,980	424,851	148,356	308,838
7/4	249,637	490,180	351,779	343,774	366,843	359,874	236,750	478,744	184,332	351,534
7/5	273,045	547,706	372,864	377,357	408,884	471,024	260,682	517,041	230,662	398,278
7/6	298,894	576,187	422,849	424,562	438,129	510,914	290,302	556,672	257,964	434,697
EOS		924,085	695,724	899,180	613,874	869,268	574,928	924,354	635,493	767,113

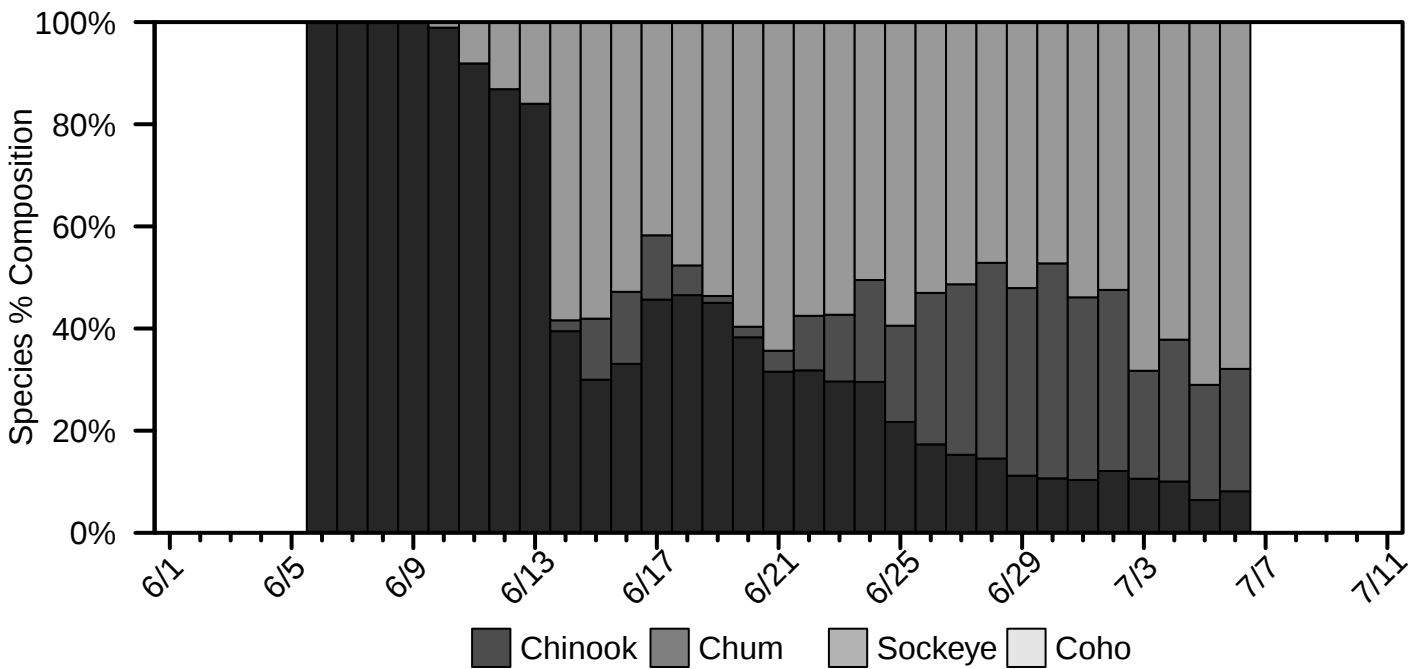
Sockeye Salmon Table 2. Cumulative CPUE from the ATF. Average includes years 2015-2025.

Date	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	Average
7/3	49	49	236	99	96	84	78	22	60	109
7/4	62	49	336	144	96	102	83	22	60	135
7/5	62	49	397	150	102	135	83	33	60	162
7/6	68	49	425	164	102	189	88	33	60	194
EOS		54	651	369	129	241	209	33	75	346

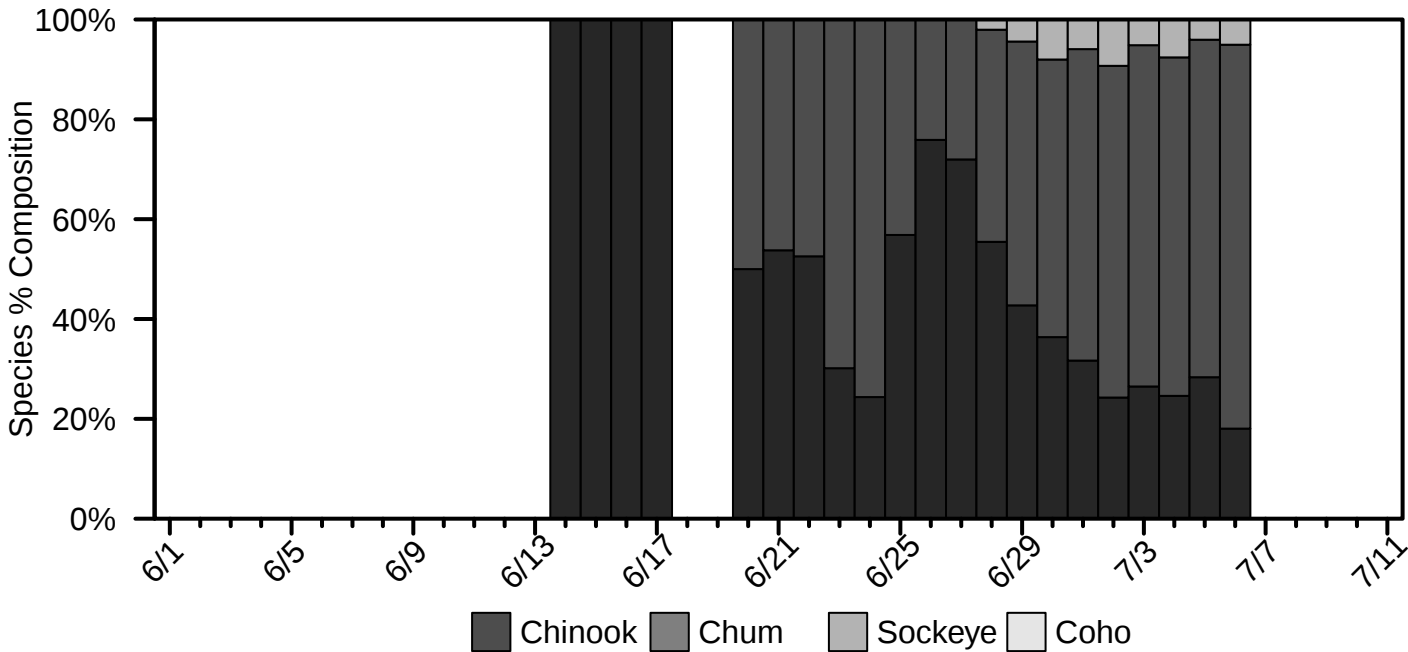
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Percent Composition by Salmon Species

Species Composition Figure 1. Species percent composition from the sonar estimates from 2026 (salmon species only, excluding pink salmon). The composition presented on each day represents the average composition over the past 3 days.



Species Composition Figure 2. Species percent composition from the ATF estimates from 2026. The composition presented on each day represents the average composition over the past 3 days.



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Orutsararmiut Native Council (ONC) Inseason Harvest Monitoring Weekly Report

July 1, 2026

Summary of Interview Activities

Comments from interviewees at the boat harbor and fish camp from the June 27th/28th set net opportunity include the following: Several people would like to have more openers.

Table 1. Average number of salmon harvested by surveyed Bethel area fish camps and Bethel boat harbor from the June 27th/28th set net opportunity.

Data Source	Number of Surveys Conducted	Average Chinook Salmon Harvest	Average Chum Salmon Harvest	Average Sockeye Salmon Harvest	Average other harvest	Net Length Range (ft.)	Mesh Size Range (in.)
Bethel Area Fish Camps	4	14.3	22.3	21.3	0	60-75	4-6
Bethel Boat Harbor	43	7.3	8.9	19.6	0.2	60-75	4-6

Subsistence: Some people are closer to their goals but no one has met them yet.

Fish Distribution

Since last meeting ONC has delivered 17 Kings, 85 Reds, 25 Chum, 9 Humpback, 8 Cisco, and 2 Broadwhite fish.



Orutsararmiut Native Council (ONC) Inseason Harvest Monitoring Weekly Report

July 8, 2026

Summary of Interview Activities

Comments from interviewees at the boat harbor from the June 27th/28th set net opportunity include the following: Several people would like to have more openers.

Table 1. Average number of salmon harvested by surveyed Bethel area fish camps and Bethel boat harbor from the June 27th/28th set net opportunity.

Data Source	Number of Surveys Conducted	Average Chinook Salmon Harvest	Average Chum Salmon Harvest	Average Sockeye Salmon Harvest	Average other harvest	Net Length Range (ft.)	Mesh Size Range (in.)
Bethel Boat Harbor	37	0.9	3	7.3	1.8	25-60	4-6

Subsistence: Some people are closer to their goals but no one has met them yet.

Fish Distribution

Since last meeting ONC has delivered 5 Kings, 128 Reds, 14 Chum, 4 Humpback, 8 Cisco, and 1 Sheefish.

Kuskokwim River In-season Harvest and Effort Estimates

7/2/2026 Subsistence Harvest Opportunity (Set Nets Only)

Opportunity Time Period: 12:00 PM – 11:59 PM (12 Hours)

Area Covered by Estimates: Tuntutuliak ↔ Bogus Cr.



Data Sources

TABLE 1. The number and percent of fisher interviews conducted by location and organization.

Data Source	Interviews	Percent
Other Villages (KRITFC)	39	52%
Bethel Boat Harbor (ONC)	36	48%
Total	75	100%

TABLE 2. The time each flight was conducted and fishers counted each flight.

Time Information			Nets Counted	
Start Time	End Time	Hours	Drift	Set
2:52 PM	5:08 PM	2.27	9	88

Effort Estimates

- An estimated **88** set net trips occurred.

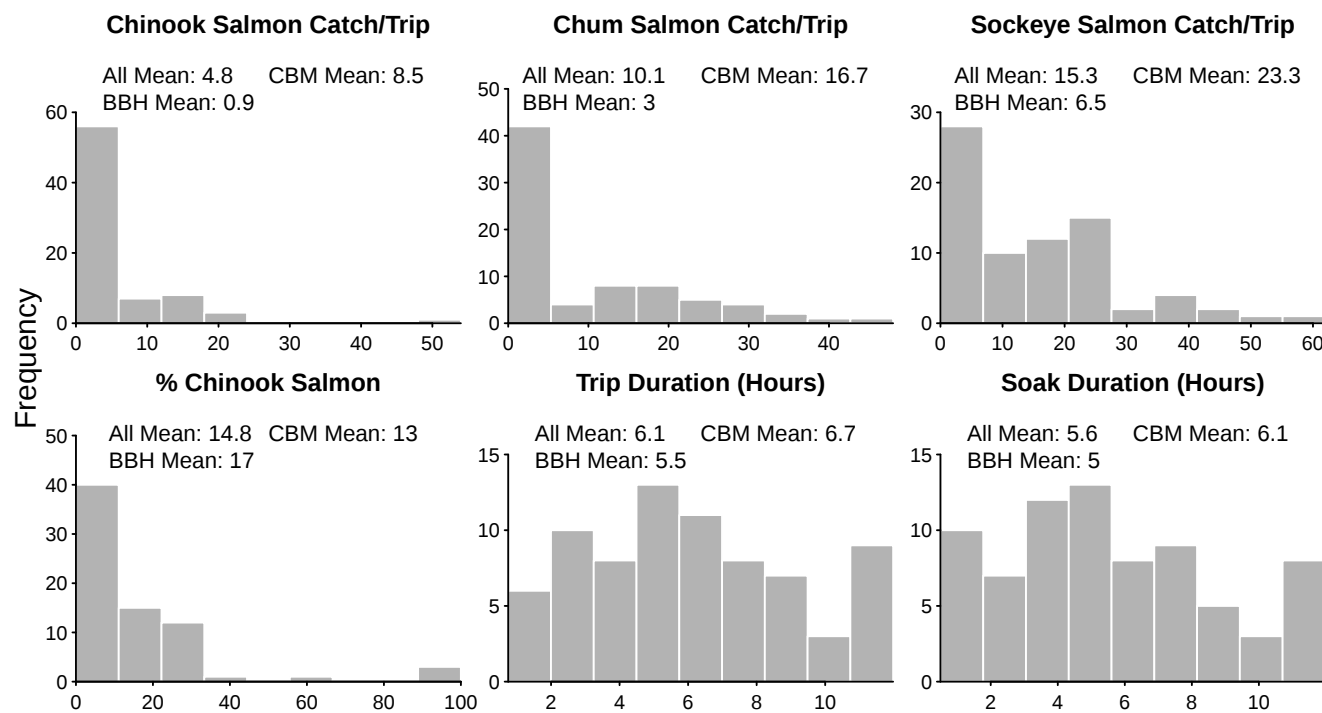
Harvest Estimates

- An estimated total of **3,780 (2,938 – 4,660)** salmon were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **473 (299 – 665)** Chinook salmon were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **1,221 (900 – 1,564)** chum salmon were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **2,087 (1,618 – 2,586)** sockeye salmon were harvested.

TABLE 3. Summaries by river stratum (area) for set nets. Numbers in parentheses are 95% confidence intervals.

Stratum	Interviews	Effort Est.	Estimated Harvest			
			Chinook	Chum	Sockeye	Total
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	3	16 (10 – 23)	42 (31 – 53)	71 (55 – 88)	129 (100 – 159)
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	6	32 (20 – 45)	83 (61 – 107)	142 (110 – 176)	258 (201 – 318)
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	65	349 (222 – 491)	902 (665 – 1,155)	1,542 (1,196 – 1,911)	2,792 (2,170 – 3,441)
Akiachak ↔ Akiak	0	13	70 (44 – 98)	180 (133 – 231)	308 (239 – 382)	558 (434 – 688)
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	1	5 (3 – 8)	14 (10 – 18)	24 (18 – 29)	43 (33 – 53)
Total	75	88	473 (299 – 665)	1,221 (900 – 1,564)	2,087 (1,618 – 2,586)	3,780 (2,938 – 4,660)

FIGURE 1. Distributions of relevant quantities from all completed trips using set nets. The mean quantity by primary data source is shown in the top right; BBH = Bethel Boat Harbor (ONC), CBM = Other Villages (KRITFC).



Appendix A: Detailed Interview Summaries

Column Meanings

- **Area**: the area of the river the trip occurred in
- **N**: the number of interviews with usable information in each area
- **Min**: the minimum value among trips in each area
- **25%**: the value that 25% of trips fell below in each area
- **Mean**: the average value across trips in each area
- **75%**: the value that 75% of trips fell below in each area
- **Max**: the maximum value among trips in each area

Information is for set net trips only.

TABLE A1. Summary of set net catch per trip of Chinook salmon by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	11	14	21	18	54
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	0	2	7	12	20
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0	0	1	1	8
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	0	0	7	10	20
All	75	0	0	5	7	54

TABLE A2. Summary of set net catch rate of Chinook salmon by fishing area (fish per 150 feet of net per hour).

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	5.4	6.9	10.7	13.4	20
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	0	1.1	2.7	4.4	5.8
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0	0	0.4	0.5	3.2
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	0	0	1.9	2.9	5.8
All	75	0	0	2.1	3.2	20

TABLE A3. Summary of set net catch per trip of chum salmon by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	12	18	24	26	48
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	2	13	19	26	40
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0	0	3	4	35
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	4	10	16	22	30
All	75	0	0	10	18	48

TABLE A4. Summary of set net catch rate of chum salmon by fishing area (fish per 150 feet of net per hour).

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	8.2	9	12.5	14.8	21
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	0.9	6	9.1	11.1	20
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0	0	2.3	1.6	48
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	3	5.8	8.9	11.8	15
All	75	0	0	5.5	8.5	48

TABLE A5. Summary of set net catch per trip of sockeye salmon by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	22	33	41	48	62
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	5	20	24	27	40
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0	2	7	8	25
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	8	12	16	20	22
All	75	0	4	15	23	62

TABLE A6. Summary of set net catch rate of sockeye salmon by fishing area (fish per 150 feet of net per hour).

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	7.9	15.1	24.1	34.8	39
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	2.4	5.9	14.9	17	47.5
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0	0.8	3.9	4.7	30
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	2.3	7.5	12.4	17.4	22
All	75	0	2.1	9.4	12.2	47.5

TABLE A7. Summary of set net percent composition of Chinook salmon by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	16%	19%	23%	26%	33%
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	0%	5%	12%	21%	27%
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0%	0%	15%	21%	100%
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	0%	0%	11%	17%	34%
All	75	0%	0%	15%	22%	100%

TABLE A8. Summary of set net trip duration by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	3	3.8	6.1	8.2	11
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	0.8	4.1	5.9	8	12
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	1.8	3.7	6.3	8.3	12
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	1.5	2	5.3	7.2	12
All	75	0.8	3.7	6.1	8.3	12

TABLE A9. Summary of set net active fishing hours by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	1.5	2.2	4.6	6	10
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	0.5	3.6	5.5	7.9	11.6
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0.5	3.5	5.9	7.9	12
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	1	1.5	4.8	6.8	11.5
All	75	0.5	3.5	5.6	7.9	12

Appendix B: Non-salmon Harvest Information

- An estimated total of **313 (83 – 618)** nonsalmon were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **180 (36 – 383)** sheefish were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **133 (8 – 371)** all whitefishes were harvested.

TABLE B1. Summaries by river stratum (area) for set nets. Numbers in parentheses are 95% confidence intervals.

Stratum	Interviews	Effort Est.	Estimated Harvest		
			Sheefish	Whitefish	Total
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	3	6 (1 – 13)	5 (0 – 13)	11 (3 – 21)
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	6	12 (3 – 26)	9 (1 – 25)	21 (6 – 42)
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	65	133 (27 – 283)	99 (6 – 274)	231 (62 – 456)
Akiachak ↔ Akiak	0	13	27 (5 – 57)	20 (1 – 55)	46 (12 – 92)
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	1	2 (0 – 4)	1 (0 – 4)	3 (1 – 7)
Total	75	88	180 (36 – 383)	133 (8 – 371)	313 (83 – 618)

TABLE B2. Summary of set net catch per trip of sheefish by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	0	0	1	1	3
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	0	0	0	0	0
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0	0	2	0	25
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	0	0	0	0	0
All	75	0	0	1	0	25

TABLE B3. Summary of set net catch per trip of all whitefishes by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	7	0	0	2	4	5
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	22	0	0	0	0	2
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	43	0	0	2	0	85
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	3	0	0	1	2	3
All	75	0	0	2	0	85

Kuskokwim River In-season Harvest and Effort Estimates

7/3/2026 Subsistence Harvest Opportunity (Set Nets Only)

Opportunity Time Period: 12:00 AM – 12:00 PM (12 Hours)

Area Covered by Estimates: Tuntutuliak ↔ Bogus Cr.



Data Sources

TABLE 1. The number and percent of fisher interviews conducted by location and organization.

Data Source	Interviews	Percent
Other Villages (KRITFC)	9	56%
Bethel Boat Harbor (ONC)	7	44%
Total	16	100%

TABLE 2. The time each flight was conducted and fishers counted each flight.

Time Information			Nets Counted	
Start Time	End Time	Hours	Drift	Set
10:38 AM	12:35 PM	1.95	3	35

Effort Estimates

- An estimated **35** set net trips occurred.

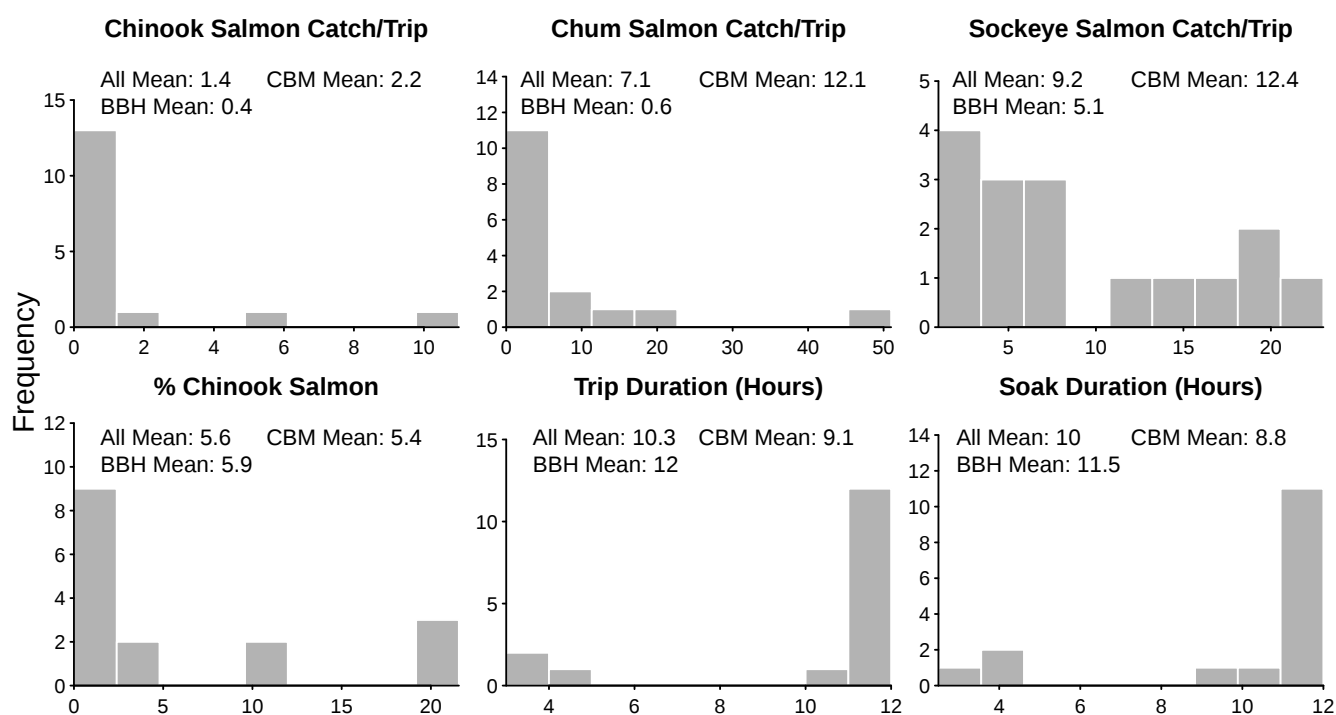
Harvest Estimates

- An estimated total of **1,129 (430 – 2,102)** salmon were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **66 (12 – 135)** Chinook salmon were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **586 (123 – 1,297)** chum salmon were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **477 (270 – 707)** sockeye salmon were harvested.

TABLE 3. Summaries by river stratum (area) for set nets. Numbers in parentheses are 95% confidence intervals.

Stratum	Interviews	Effort Est.	Estimated Harvest			
			Chinook	Chum	Sockeye	Total
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	0	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	0	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	29	55 (10 – 112)	486 (102 – 1,075)	395 (224 – 586)	936 (357 – 1,741)
Akiachak ↔ Akiak	0	4	8 (1 – 15)	67 (14 – 148)	54 (31 – 81)	129 (49 – 240)
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	0	2	4 (1 – 8)	33 (7 – 74)	27 (15 – 40)	65 (24 – 120)
Total	16	35	66 (12 – 135)	586 (123 – 1,297)	477 (270 – 707)	1,129 (430 – 2,102)

FIGURE 1. Distributions of relevant quantities from all completed trips using set nets. The mean quantity by primary data source is shown in the top right; BBH = Bethel Boat Harbor (ONC), CBM = Other Villages (KRITFC).



Appendix A: Detailed Interview Summaries

Column Meanings

- **Area:** the area of the river the trip occurred in
- **N:** the number of interviews with usable information in each area
- **Min:** the minimum value among trips in each area
- **25%:** the value that 25% of trips fell below in each area
- **Mean:** the average value across trips in each area
- **75%:** the value that 75% of trips fell below in each area
- **Max:** the maximum value among trips in each area

Information is for set net trips only.

TABLE A1. Summary of set net catch per trip of Chinook salmon by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	11	11	11	11	11
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	0	0	1	1	2
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	0	0	1	1	6
All	16	0	0	1	1	11

TABLE A2. Summary of set net catch rate of Chinook salmon by fishing area (fish per 150 feet of net per hour).

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	0	0	0.5	0.8	1.6
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	0	0	0.2	0.2	1.3
All	16	0	0	0.4	0.2	3.4

TABLE A3. Summary of set net catch per trip of chum salmon by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	17	17	17	17	17
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	6	12	25	34	51
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	0	0	2	2	8
All	16	0	0	7	6	51

TABLE A4. Summary of set net catch rate of chum salmon by fishing area (fish per 150 feet of net per hour).

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	3.3	6.2	17.7	24.9	40.8
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	0	0	0.4	0.5	1.7
All	16	0	0	3.9	2.1	40.8

TABLE A5. Summary of set net catch per trip of sockeye salmon by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	23	23	23	23	23
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	5	10	13	17	19
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	1	2	7	9	20
All	16	1	4	9	15	23

TABLE A6. Summary of set net catch rate of sockeye salmon by fishing area (fish per 150 feet of net per hour).

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	2.8	5.1	8.5	11.3	15.2
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	0.2	0.3	1.5	2.1	4.3
All	16	0.2	0.6	3.2	3.6	15.2

TABLE A7. Summary of set net percent composition of Chinook salmon by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	22%	22%	22%	22%	22%
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	0%	0%	1%	1%	3%
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	0%	0%	5%	10%	20%
All	16	0%	0%	6%	10%	22%

TABLE A8. Summary of set net trip duration by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.2
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	3	3.4	3.8	4.1	4.5
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	12	12	12	12	12
All	16	3	11.6	10.3	12	12

TABLE A9. Summary of set net active fishing hours by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	2.5	3.1	3.4	3.8	4
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	10.7	11.4	11.6	11.9	12
All	16	2.5	10.5	10	11.8	12

Appendix B: Non-salmon Harvest Information

- An estimated total of **10 (0 – 24)** nonsalmon were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **0 (0 – 0)** sheefish were harvested.
 - An estimated total of **10 (0 – 24)** all whitefishes were harvested.

TABLE B1. Summaries by river stratum (area) for set nets. Numbers in parentheses are 95% confidence intervals.

Stratum	Interviews	Effort Est.	Estimated Harvest		
			Sheefish	Whitefish	Total
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	0	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	0	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)	0 (0 – 0)
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	29	0 (0 – 0)	8 (0 – 20)	8 (0 – 20)
Akiachak ↔ Akiak	0	4	0 (0 – 0)	1 (0 – 3)	1 (0 – 3)
Akiak ↔ Bogus Cr.	0	2	0 (0 – 0)	1 (0 – 1)	1 (0 – 1)
Total	16	35	0 (0 – 0)	10 (0 – 24)	10 (0 – 24)

TABLE B2. Summary of set net catch per trip of sheefish by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	0	0	0	0	0
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	0	0	0	0	0
All	16	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE B3. Summary of set net catch per trip of all whitefishes by fishing area.

Area	N	Min	25%	Mean	75%	Max
Tuntutuliak ↔ Johnson R.	1	2	2	2	2	2
Johnson R. ↔ Napaskiak	3	0	0	0	0	0
Napaskiak ↔ Akiachak	12	0	0	0	0	2
All	16	0	0	0	0	2



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2026 Lower River Harvest Estimates (Tuntutuliak to Tuluksak) – KRITFC + ONC + USFWS Data								
2026 FISHING DATE	PERIOD	GEAR TYPE	TRIPS	CHINOOK SALMON HARVEST	CHUM SALMON HARVEST	SOCKEYE SALMON HARVEST	COHO SALMON HARVEST	TOTAL SALMON HARVEST
6/2/2026	16 h	S	71S	154	0	0	0	154
6/5/2026	16 h	S	181S	221	9	6	0	235
6/9/2026	16 h	S	243S	694	267	177	0	1,138
6/12/2026	12 h	D/S	392D/91S	1,928	1,307	394	0	3,629
6/16/2026	12 h	D/S	524D/77S	6,202	3,873	2,444	0	12,519
6/22/2026	12 h	D/S	511D/95S	9,785	11,082	9,712	0	30,579
6/27/2026	24 h	S	215S	2,574	3,990	7,244	0	13,808
6/28/2026	24 h (c.)	S	50S	343	638	1,173	0	2,154
7/2/2026	24 h	S	88S	473	1,221	2,087	0	3,780
7/3/2026	24 h (c.)	S	35S	66	586	477	0	1,129
2026 CUMULATIVES (up to 7/4/26)				22,440	22,973	23,714	0	69,125

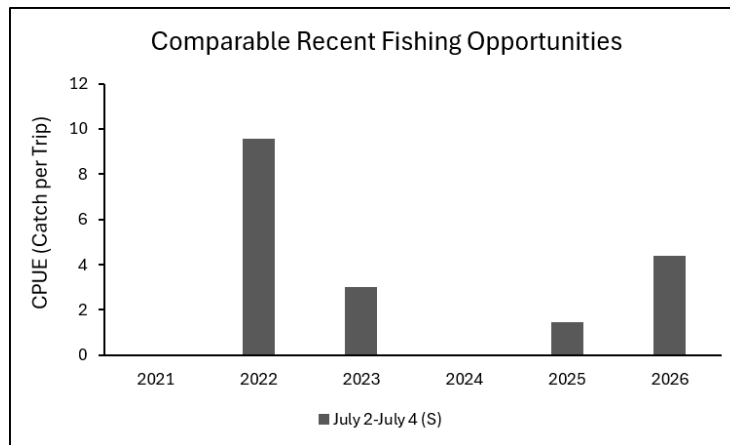


Figure 1. Lower River Chinook salmon subsistence harvest CPUE for similar fishery openings (closest date and same gear type) to most recent fishery opening during 2021–2026. A single opening occurred in the shown date period for each year. Note that 2021 and 2024 did not have a comparable recent fishing opportunity.

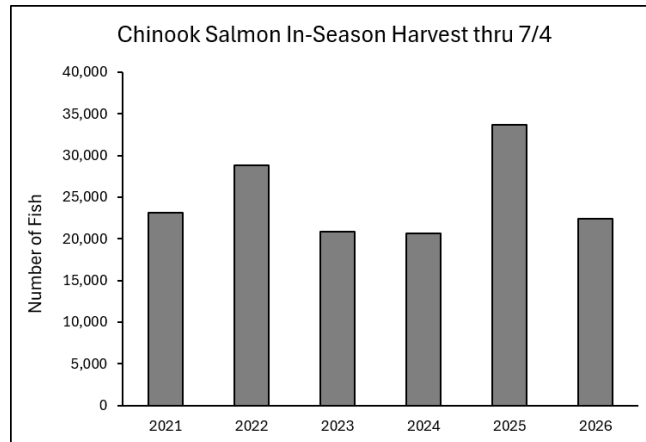


Figure 2. Cumulative Lower Kuskokwim River subsistence harvests of Chinook salmon through July 4 during 2021–2026.