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Subsistence and Personal Use Permits Available Online

Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area

Subsistence and personal use fishermen are required to have a household permit prior to fishing in portions of the upper Yukon River drainage, the Tanana River drainage, and a portion of the Koyukuk River (see figures below). For information on permits and fish species, contact the Fish and Game office in Fairbanks at (907) 459-7274. Permits are available to Alaska residents and are free of charge. Fishermen can obtain permits anytime online at www.adfg.alaska.gov/store. Permits are also available Monday through Friday during regular business hours at local Fish and Game offices in Fairbanks, Delta Junction, Tok, and Anchorage.

All harvest must be reported on your permit. If you are fishing outside of a permit area, subsistence harvest is reported through the subsistence harvest survey process, or by sending us your subsistence survey calendar. Contact the Fairbanks office to obtain a subsistence survey calendar.

The department would like to thank all the households who have returned their previous permits and participated in the subsistence salmon surveys. Documenting the Yukon River Area subsistence and personal use harvest has been successful because of the cooperation of fishermen.

Koyukuk River Permit Areas:

A subsistence fishing permit is required for all species in the Koyukuk River (District 4) above Bettles including the community of Wiseman.

Yukon River Permit Areas:

A subsistence fishing permit is required to fish for all species in the following locations: from the westernmost tip of Garnet Island upstream to the mouth of Dall River (Dalton Highway bridge area; Subdistrict 5-C and a portion of Subdistrict 5-D) and the upstream mouth of 22 Mile Slough to the U.S./Canada border (a portion of Subdistrict 5-D).

Tanana River Permit Areas:

A fishing permit is required to fish for all species in the Tanana River drainage (see Figure 1). In the Tanana River *up to* the Wood River (Subdistrict 6-A and 6-B) a **subsistence** permit is required for salmon fishing. A subsistence permit is also required for all species in the “Upper Tanana River” area from the confluence with the mouth of Volkmar River on the north bank, and the mouth of the Johnson River on the south bank, upstream to the Tanana River headwaters (see Figure 2).

A **personal use** salmon fishing permit and sport fish license are required to fish in Subdistrict 6-C from the Wood River upstream to the Salcha River. Fishermen are required to report their harvest catches to the department by 4:30 p.m. Thursday each week online at www.adfg.alaska.gov/sf/PU/ or by calling (907) 459-7388. When you call, please provide your name, permit number, fishing location, and daily catch by species for that week.

A personal use permit is required to fish for whitefish and suckers in the “Fairbanks Non-Subsistence area” (from the Wood River upstream to the mouth of the Volkmar River on the north bank and the mouth of the Johnson River on the south bank). Contact the Fairbanks office to apply for a permit for the whitefish and sucker fishery.

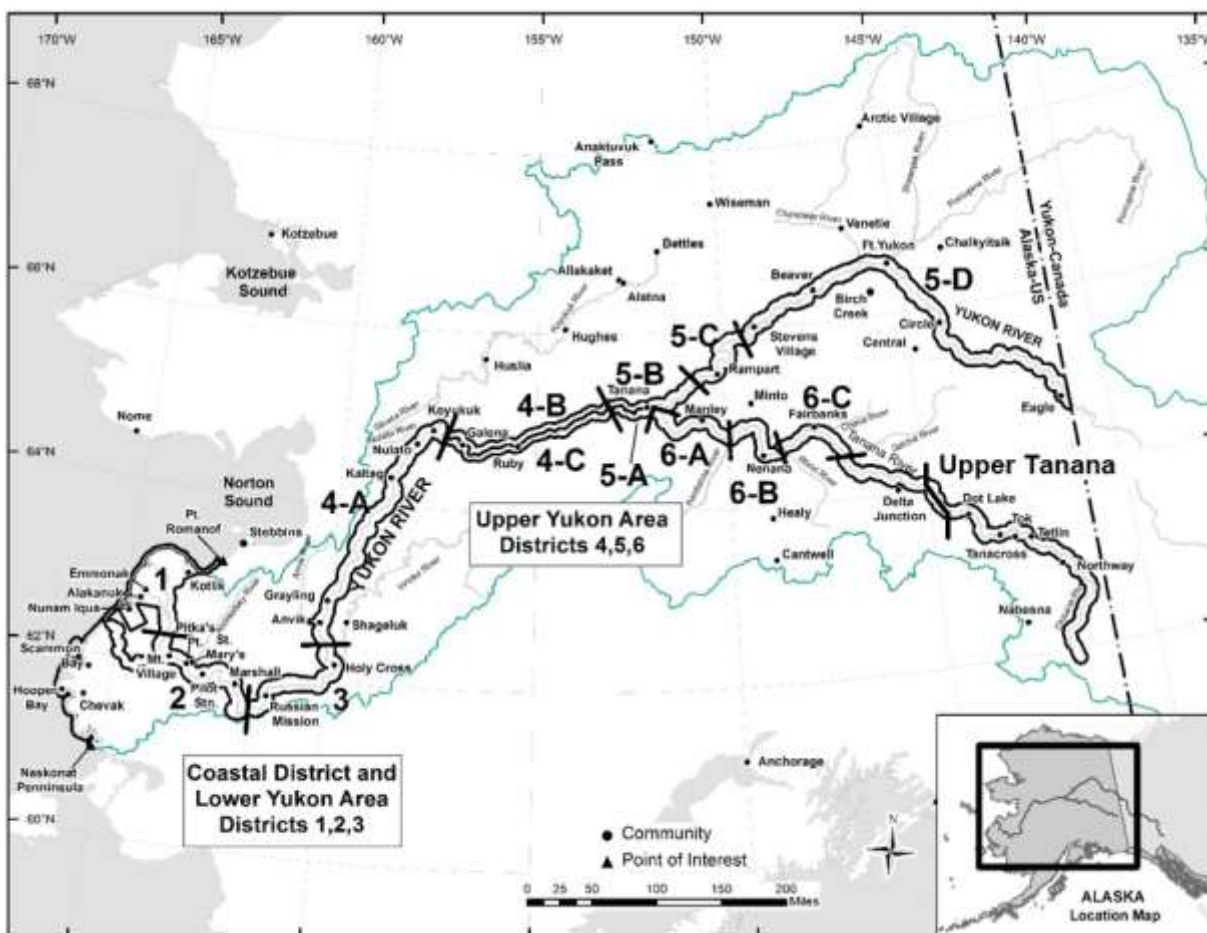


Figure 1: Yukon Area Fishing Districts and Subdistricts and the “Upper Tanana River”

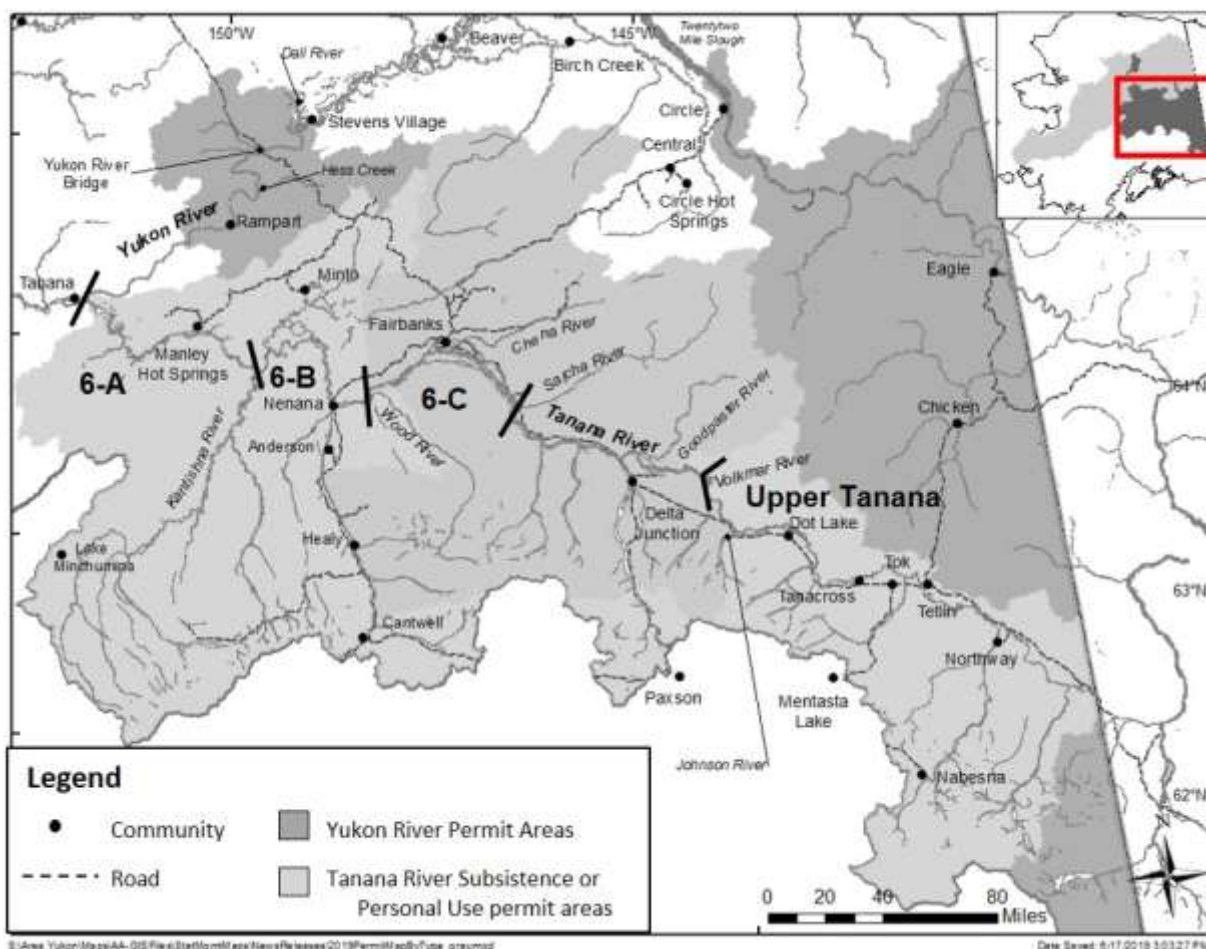


Figure 2. Permit Areas of the Yukon River drainage. Subsistence permits are required in the dark gray shaded areas of the Yukon River. Subsistence or personal use permits are required in the Tanana drainage (light gray shaded area).

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