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Westside Salmon Announcement 1
Emergency Order 1

"Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: <https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/>."

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding subsistence fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside Salmon Announcement number 1 issued Wednesday, May 27 at 12:00 noon.

By regulation, subsistence fishing in the commercial fishing district will close at midnight on May 31. Subsistence fishing will reopen by emergency order June 1, at 12:00 a.m. and remain open until further notice. This announcement pertains to the commercial fishing district only; subsistence fishing on the Dillingham beaches is not affected by this announcement. Subsistence users in Dillingham can get a subsistence permit by email or in the Dillingham office.

Commercial fishermen are also reminded that **District Registration Cards** must be filled out and filed with the department before they begin drift gillnet fishing anywhere in Bristol Bay or set gillnet fishing in the Nushagak District. District registration cards may be obtained at the Anchorage, King Salmon or Dillingham offices or downloaded from the internet. Cards may be returned by mail, email or in person.

Commercial fishing in the Togiak District opens June 1 and follows the regular weekly schedules.

Informational updates and announcements are available by calling our recorded message line at 842-5226. This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.

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