Advisory Announcement
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2020 SITUK-AHRNKLIN INLET SUBSISTENCE FISHERY

Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet: will open to the retention of Chinook salmon in the subsistence fishery from 6:00 a.m., Friday, July 17, 2020, until further notice during the weekly open periods.

The following area will continue to be closed to all subsistence fishing, until further notice:

Situk River mouth (including all waters of Johnson Slough): will be closed to subsistence fishing west of a line from an ADF&G regulation marker located at the southeast end of Johnson Slough at 59°26.27′ N lat, 139°32.62′ W long to a regulation marker directly across the inlet on Black Sand Spit at 59°25.77′ N lat, 139°33.18′ W long, north of a line from the regulation marker at 59°25.77′ N lat, 139°33.18′ W long to a regulation marker northwest on Black Sand Spit at 59°26.52′ N lat, 139°35.07′ W long, and south of the regulation marker at 59°26.52′ N lat, 139°35.07′ W long to a regulation marker west of the Yakutat Seafoods buying station at 59°26.73′ N lat, 139°34.64′ W long.

The Chinook salmon commercial, subsistence, and sport fisheries in the Situk River drainage are managed under the guidelines of the Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet and Lost River King Salmon Fisheries Management Plan (5 AAC 30.365). The plan directs the department to manage fisheries to achieve a biological escapement goal (BEG) range of 450-1,050 large (three ocean age and older) Chinook salmon to the Situk River. The inriver Chinook salmon run is projecting to achieve the upper end of the escapement goal range. Per the Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet and Lost River King Salmon Fisheries Management Plan, Chinook salmon retention in the subsistence fishery is warranted.

Subsistence fishermen are reminded that when fishing in the Situk River they are required to attend their gillnets at all times when it is being used to take salmon. Please refer to the map on the following page identifying the closed areas.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1Y0820.


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Figure 1. Situk-Ahrnklin Inlet waters closed to subsistence fishing in 2020. All waters of Johnson Slough are also closed.