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Advisory Announcement

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Kuskokwim River Salmon Fishery Announcement #11

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This is an announcement from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Bethel for fishermen in the Kuskokwim Area. The Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Working Group were informed of these management actions.

Commercial fishing will open in Subdistrict 1-A for five 8-hour periods with 6-inch or less mesh gillnets that may not exceed 50 fathoms in length and not more than 45 meshes deep:

- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., July 19
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., July 21
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., July 23
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., July 25
- 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., July 27

Subdistrict 1-A: This area is defined as that portion of District 1 upstream of regulatory markers located at Bethel to ADF&G regulatory markers at the mouth of Bogus Creek.

There are no commercial salmon processors in the Kuskokwim River. This opportunity is being provided for those individuals registered with the department as catcher/sellers.

COVID-19

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

Further announcements will be made from the Bethel Fish and Game office, on the State of Alaska web site (<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main>), local radio stations, and Kuskokwim River Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/KuskoRiverFishingADFG/>). Advisory Announcements will be faxed to area villages. For additional information or questions regarding Kuskokwim Area fisheries, contact the Alaska Department of Fish and Game office in the Bethel at 543-2433 or toll free at 1-855-933-2433.

For additional information concerning this advisory announcement:

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