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Sand Point Commercial Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #17 For Emergency Order #4-FS-M-SP-15-21

Commercial salmon fishing by **set gillnet and seine gear** will be allowed in the Beaver Bay, Balboa Bay, Southwest Stepovak, East Stepovak, and Northwest Stepovak Sections of the Southeastern District for 132 hours from 9:00 a.m. Friday, August 20 until 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 25. The Stepovak Flats Section will remain closed.

As previously announced:

Commercial salmon fishing by **set gillnet and seine gear** will be extended from 9:00 p.m. Thursday, August 12 **until further notice** in the following districts and sections:

Unimak District

Southwestern District, excluding the inside waters of the Volcano Bay Section north and west of a line from Arch Point at 55° 12.30' N. lat., 161° 54.30' W. long. to a point on Belkofski Peninsula at 55° 09.50' N. Lat, 161° 57.80' W. long. (Statistical Area 284-36)

South Central District

Shumagin Islands Section of the Southeastern District excluding the waters of Zachary Bay south of the latitude of 55° 22.60' N. lat. (Statistical Area 282-35)

Commercial salmon fishing by **drift gillnet gear** will be extended from 9:00 p.m. Thursday, August 12 **until further notice** in the following districts and sections:

Unimak District

Ikatan Bay Section of the Southwestern District

All closed waters in the above locations will be as described in the regulation book or as adjusted by emergency order.

A copy of the *South Alaska Peninsula Salmon Management Strategy, 2021*, can be found at <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/FedAidPDFs/RIR.4K.2021.05.pdf> . Hard copies of the management strategy can be obtained at ADF&G offices in Sand Point, Cold Bay, and Port Moller.

Statistical charts and management strategies are available at the Sand Point, Cold Bay, and Port Moller ADF&G offices. Commercial salmon fishing regulations, commercial harvest, escapement, and news releases

can be found on the ADF&G website at:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareaakpeninsula.salmon>.

Salmon fishery announcements will be broadcast on VHF channels 6 and 73 daily at 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and may also be obtained from ADF&G in Sand Point at 383-2334 (383-ADFG).

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, 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 COVID19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/>.

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