Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #12
For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-12-22

There will be an 81-hour commercial salmon fishing period from noon Wednesday, July 6 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 9 in the following areas:
- The Outer Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The Northwest Kodiak District (except the Kizhuyak Bay, Uganik Bay, and Zachar Bay Sections will remain closed);
- The Northeast Kodiak District;
- The Eastside Kodiak District (except that portion of Pasagshak Bay northeast of a line from a point at 57°26.04’ N lat. 152°31.13’ W long. to a point at 57°25.44’ N lat. 152°29.39’ W long, will remain closed, and closed waters for Saltery Creek (stream # 259-415) are normal closed waters as described in regulation); and,
- The Afognak District (except, the Duck Bay Section will close at 9:00 p.m. Friday, July 8, and the Izhut Bay, and Inner and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will remain closed).

There will be a 57-hour commercial salmon fishing period from noon Wednesday, July 6 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, July 8 in the following areas:
- The Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections of the Alitak District;
- The Outer Ayakulik, and Halibut Bay Sections of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The Mainland District; and,
- The Duck Bay Section of the Afognak District.

Through 12:01 a.m. July 6, fishermen are reminded that in the Kodiak Area Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

After 12:01 a.m. July 6, until further notice, within the Kodiak Area only that portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.
Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:
Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area, as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:00 p.m. on VHF channel 6.

The following areas currently open until further notice and will close to commercial salmon fishing at 9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 9:
- The Foul Bay Special Harvest Area; and,
- The Waterfall Bay Special Harvest Area.

Closed Water Adjustments:
Closed waters are currently reduced until 9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 9:
- In Foul Bay to the stream terminus at Hidden Lake Creek (stream #251-406); and,
- In Waterfall Bay to the stream terminus at Little Waterfall Creek (stream #251-822) and to the stream terminus at Big Waterfall Creek (stream #251-821).

As previously Announced:
Cost recovery fisheries have begun in the Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA) and the Spiridon Bay SHA will remain closed to common property fishing. Fishery opportunities in the Spiridon Bay SHA will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs. Cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350). Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department’s 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.

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