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Advisory Announcement

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Chignik Commercial Salmon Fishery Announcement # 05

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The current commercial salmon fishing period will be extended for 72 hours from **2:00 p.m. Monday, July 3 until 2:00 p.m. Thursday, July 6** in the following areas of the Chignik Management Area:

- Eastern District
- Western District
- Central District
- Chignik Bay District

The Perryville District will open to commercial salmon fishing for 48 hours from **2:00 p.m. Monday, July 3 until 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 5**. The Chignik Lagoon markers **will remain at Mensis Point**.

As Previously Announced

Fishermen are reminded that in accordance with the Chinook stock of concern action plan, **Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the Chignik Bay District, Central District, and Castle Cape Section of the Western District** in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Permit holders are reminded that all closed waters are as listed in regulation 5 AAC 15.350.

As a reminder, a commercial salmon fishing license holder may not subsistence fish for salmon during the 12 hours before a commercial salmon fishing period or during the 12 hours following the closure of a commercial salmon fishing period.

Statistical charts, harvest strategies, and subsistence fishing permits are available at the Chignik weir and the Kodiak regional ADF&G offices. Commercial 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=commercialbyareachignik.salmon>. Fishermen are encouraged to standby on VHF Channel 6 at 9:15 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. daily for fishery updates. Escapement, harvest, and news release updates can also be heard on the Chignik commercial salmon message phone line by calling (907) 486-1839.

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