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Advisory Announcement

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Chignik Commercial Salmon Fishery Announcement # 14

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Commercial salmon fishing will be allowed for 112 hours beginning at **6:00 a.m. Monday, August 14 until 10:00 p.m. Friday, August 18** in the Chignik Bay District, Central District, and Inner Castle Cape Subsection of the Western District. The markers for the Chignik Bay District will be **located at Pillar Rock**.

As Previously Announced

The current commercial salmon fishing period in the Eastern District, Western District excluding the Inner Castle Cape Subsection, and Perryville District is open **until further notice**.

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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