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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #34 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-34-23

There will be a <u>48-hour extension</u> to the current commercial salmon fishing period from 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 19 until 6:00 p.m. Monday, August 21 in the following areas:

- The Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections of the Alitak District; and
- The **Mainland District**.

There will be a <u>24-hour extension</u> to the current commercial salmon fishing period from 6:00 p.m. Sunday, August 20 until 6:00 p.m. Monday, August 21 in the following areas:

The Duck Bay and Izhut Bay Sections of the Afognak District.

As previously Announced:

The Inner Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District <u>opened</u> to commercial salmon fishing for <u>102-hours</u> at noon Friday, August 18 until 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 22. (Closed waters will be the normal closed waters as described in regulation until noon Saturday, August 19).

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be reduced from noon Saturday, August 19 until 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 22 in the following area:

- At Karluk Lagoon's exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #255-101).

The following areas will <u>close</u> to commercial salmon fishing at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 19:

- The Outer Kitoi Bay, Southeast Afognak, Pauls Bay, Perenosa Bay, and Shuyak Island Sections of the Afognak District.

The following areas are currently scheduled to close to commercial salmon fishing at **6:00 p.m. Monday, August 21:**

- The Southwest Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Raspberry Strait, and Northeast Afognak Sections of the Afognak District;
- The Northeast Kodiak District; and
- The Eastside Kodiak District.

The following areas will be <u>extended</u> from 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 19 <u>until further notice:</u>

The Outer Ayakulik, Outer Karluk, Sturgeon, and Halibut Bay Sections of the Southwest Kodiak District; and

- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Uyak Bay and Inner Uganik Bay Sections will remain closed).

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters are <u>expanded</u> until further notice, in that portion in the Southwest Afognak Section of the Afognak District, within one-half nautical mile of the beach near the terminus of Malina Creek (stream #252-105) between 58° 10.00' N lat. and 58° 11.00' N lat.

Cost recovery fisheries began in the Kitoi Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA) on August 5. Fishing opportunities in the Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs, and all cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

<u>Until further notice</u>, 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.

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.