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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #40 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-40-23

There will be a <u>48-hour extension</u> to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **6:00 p.m. Friday**, **September 1**, until **6:00 p.m. Sunday**, **September 3**, in the following areas:

- The Inner Karluk Section of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The Northwest Afognak and Raspberry Strait Sections of the Afognak District;
- The **Mainland District**; and
- The Cape Alitak, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections of the Alitak District.

Cost recovery fisheries are scheduled to begin in the Kitoi Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA) on September 2. All cost recovery information may be obtained by calling 486-6559.

Closed water adjustment:

Closed waters will be **reduced until 6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 3,** at Karluk Lagoon's exit channel terminus at the ocean shoreline (stream #255-101).

As previously announced:

The following areas are open to commercial salmon fishing until further notice:

- The Outer Ayakulik, Outer Karluk, Sturgeon, and Halibut Bay Sections of the Southwest Kodiak District;
- The Central and North Cape Sections of the Northwest Kodiak District;
- The Northeast Kodiak District;
- The Eastside Kodiak District;
- The **Humpy-Deadman Section** of the **Alitak District**; and
- The Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Outer Kitoi Bay, Southwest Afognak, and Northeast Afognak Sections of the Afognak District.

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.

<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.