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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT # 01 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-01-25

The following areas will **open** to commercial salmon fishing at **noon Monday**, **June 9**, and will remain **open until further notice**:

- The Inner Kitoi Bay, Outer Kitoi Bay, Duck Bay, and Izhut Bay Sections of the Afognak District; and
- The Foul Bay Special Harvest Area.

Fishermen are reminded that in the Kodiak Area (including the Mainland District) beginning at noon Monday, June 9, until further notice, 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.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** in the following locations:

- In **Foul Bay** to the stream terminus at Hidden Lake Creek (stream #251-406); and
- In **Kitoi Bay** to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi Bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324).

As previously announced:

In response to the recent record-low Chinook salmon escapements in the Karluk River, commercial salmon fishing in the **Inner Karluk** and **Outer Karluk Sections** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**, the **Northwest Kodiak District**, and the **Southwest Afognak Section** of the **Afognak District** will remain closed from **June 1** through **July 5**. Fishing will resume only after the Karluk River's early-run sockeye salmon escapement goal of 150,000 to 250,000 fish is exceeded.

In response to the recent record-low Chinook salmon escapements in the Ayakulik River, commercial salmon fishing in the **Inner Ayakulik**, **Outer Ayakulik**, and **Halibut Bay Sections** of the **Southwest Kodiak District** will remain closed from **June 1** through **July 15**. Fishing will resume only after the Ayakulik River's early-run sockeye salmon escapement goal of 140,000 to 280,000 fish is exceeded.

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.