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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #15 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-15-25

There will be an <u>81-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday**, **July 14** to **9:00 p.m. Thursday**, **July 17** in the following areas:

- The Outer Kitoi Bay and Inner Kitoi Bay Sections of the Afognak District.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be <u>reduced</u> from **noon Monday**, **July 14** to **9:00 p.m. Thursday**, **July 17** in the **Inner Kitoi Bay Section**, to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324).

As Previously Announced:

The **Duck Bay Section** of the **Afognak District** is currently <u>open</u> to commercial salmon fishing until 9:00 p.m. **Thursday**, **July 17**.

There will be a <u>105-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period in the **Izhut Bay Section** of the **Afognak District** from **noon Sunday**, **July 13**, to **9:00 p.m. Thursday**, **July 17**.

There will be a <u>105-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Sunday**, **July 13** to **9:00 p.m. Thursday**, **July 17** in the following areas:

- The Northwest Kodiak District;
- The Northeast Kodiak District;
- The Eastside Kodiak District;
- The Southeast Afognak, Raspberry Strait, Southwest Afognak, Northwest Afognak, Shuyak Island, Pauls Bay, Perenosa Bay, and Northeast Afognak Sections of the Afognak District; and
- The Outer Avakulik Section of the Southwest Kodiak District.

There will be a <u>57-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period in the **Mainland District** from **noon Sunday**, **July** 13 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, **July** 15.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** from **noon Sunday**, **July 13** to **9:00 p.m. Thursday**, **July 17** at **Saltery Creek** (stream # 259-415) to the stream terminus.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area (including the Cape Igvak Section), as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:00 p.m. on VHF channel 6.

<u>Cost recovery fisheries</u> have begun in the **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA)** and the **Spiridon Bay SHA** will remain <u>closed</u> to common property fishing. Fishery opportunities in the Spiridon Bay SHA will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs. Cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

Fishermen are reminded that in the Kodiak Area (including the Mainland District) 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.

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.