



Advisory Announcement

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Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #22

OUTER DISTRICT: Effective at 10:00 PM on Friday, August 8, waters of the Outer District will close to commercial salmon harvest. Effective at 6:00 AM on Monday, August 11 the following areas will open on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday sixteen-hour fishing periods from 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM on those days. These areas are the Dogfish (Koyuktolik) Bay Subdistrict, the Windy Bay Subdistrict, the portion of the Nuka Island Subdistrict in the Petrof area north and west of a point at 59° 20.00' N. latitude, 150° 48.00' W. longitude, and the portion of the East Nuka Subdistrict north of 59° 33.60' N. latitude. Regulatory closed waters in the northern portion of the East Nuka Subdistrict (5AAC21.350(11)) are suspended. However, fishermen must remain 500 yards from the terminus of all anadromous streams in the East Nuka Subdistrict per 5AAC21.350(i).

Purse seine harvest from the Outer District through August 6 is estimated at 124,000 pink, 16,000 chum, 5,300 sockeye, 18 Chinook, and 14 coho salmon.

EASTERN DISTRICT: Effective at 10:00 PM on Friday, August 8, waters of the Aialik Bay Subdistrict will close to commercial salmon harvest, and on Monday, August 11 will reopen on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM fishing periods. This includes waters of Petersen (Aialik) Lagoon south of 59° 53.84' N. latitude.

KAMISHAK DISTRICT: Effective at 6:00 AM on Monday, August 11 anadromous waters restrictions as specified in 5AAC 21.350(e)(12) and (i) that pertain to Brown's Peak Creek are rescinded with commercial salmon fishing permitted up to the exposed headland banks of Brown's Peak Creek at the present stage of the tide. In addition, at 6:00 AM on August 11, regulatory closed waters that pertain to the Bruin River (5AAC21.350(e)(10), (h), and (i) are rescinded with fishing permitted up to, and including the Bruin River pothole. Remaining subdistricts of the Kamishak District excluding the McNeil River Subdistrict, and the Paint River Subdistrict remain open on a daily schedule of 24-hour fishing periods. Regulatory closed waters restrictions that pertain to the Iniskin Subdistrict (5AAC 21.350(e)(3)) are suspended until further notice. Commercial salmon fishing is permitted in Iniskin Bay south of 59° 46.30' N. latitude on a schedule concurrent with other areas in the Kamishak District. The portion of Chenik Lagoon east of 154° 08.33' W. long. is open on a schedule of daily 24-hour fishing periods. The Chenik video counting station has documented 13,336 salmon entering Chenik Lake towards an SEG range of 2,900 – 13,700 fish. Purse seine harvest from the Kamishak District through August 6 is estimated at 77,000 sockeye, 37,000 pink, and 2,900 chum salmon.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Purse seine: In the Southern District, the following areas remain open on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 16-hour commercial fishing periods beginning at 6:00 AM on those days,

- the Halibut Cove Subdistrict,
- the Tutka Bay Subdistrict, excluding the Tutka Bay Hatchery special harvest area (SHA) southeast of a line between a point at 59° 28.22' N. Lat., 151° 27.85' W. Long., and another point at 59° 28.76' N. Lat., 151° 26.75' W. Long., and
- the Neptune Bay and China Poot Bay sections, excluding the Hazel Lake and China Poot SHAs.

Purse seine harvest through August 6 from the Southern District is estimated at 205,000 sockeye, 800 pink, 175 chum, 95 coho, and 2 Chinook salmon.

Set gillnet: Waters of the Southern District identified in 5AAC 21.330(b)(1) remain open to commercial set gillnet harvest on a regular schedule of two 48-hour fishing periods per week beginning at 6:00 AM on Mondays and Thursdays as defined in 5AAC 21.320(a)(3). Harvest from last week's fishing periods are shown in Table 1,

Table 1.- Southern District 2025 set gillnet harvests (n-fish) by fishing period: current year, last year and previous 5-year average.

period			Chinook			Sockeye			Coho			Pink			Chum		
	dates	2025 del.	5-yr avg	2024 harv.	2025 harv.	5-yr avg	2024 harv.	2025 harv.	5-yr avg	2024 harv.	2025 harv.	5-yr avg	2024 harv.	2025 harv.	5-yr avg	2024 harv.	2025 harv.
1.)	6/2-6/4	5	21	11	3	434	141	210	0	0		0	0	6	14	1	200
2.)	6/5-6/7	5	26	8	4	514	252	198	0	0		0	0		22	3	13
3.)	6/9-6/11	5	28	13	10	697	304	329	0	0		0	0		49	1	32
4.)	6/12-6/14	5	25	9	20	772	255	441	0	0		0	0	2	42	6	109
5.)	6/16-6/18	5	24	19	22	901	794	331	1	1		1	1		45	35	51
6.)	6/19-6/21	6	23	11	9	941	574	659	0	0		4	0	1	69	14	80
7.)	6/23-6/25	5	16	6	3	1,260	1,525	598	1	0		3	1		83	93	77
8.)	6/26-6/28	6	13	6	4	1,247	1,163	1,175	2	0		7	5	7	92	51	113
9.)	6/30-7/2	7	9	4	7	1,919	3,151	2,170	2	2	1	57	10	27	198	167	312
10.)	7/3-7/5	7	9	5	3	2,026	4,426	2,711	4	3	4	182	17	95	235	175	429
11.)	7/7-7/9	8	7	5	7	1,467	3,947	2,825	8	5	2	326	40	120	173	172	513
12.)	7/10-7/12	8	6	4	3	1,050	1,986	3,206	57	1	48	492	51	123	135	103	408
13.)	7/14-7/16	6	6	0	2	1,157	2,269	2,017	158	2	19	997	75	56	194	102	258
14.)	7/17-7/19	6	6	0	7	1,206	655	2,427	161	12	48	2,105	160	98	230	81	329
15.)	7/21-7/23	7	4	0	2	1,371	754	2,680	120	0	81	1,169	302	346	173	113	306
16.)	7/24-7/26	6	4	0		976	372	2,762	177	4	32	1,629	243	264	236	57	126
17.)	7/28-7/30	6	3	1		573	397	1,643	132	3	3	1,606	222	141	96	43	74
18.)	7/31-8/2	4	1	0		200	63	1,438	104	5	17	1,104	1	134	61	2	77
19.)	8/4-8/6	<3	0	0	--	124	32	--	60	2	--	708	0	--	26	0	--
period 1-19 sum			230	102	106	18,836	23,060	28,007	987	40	300	10,391	1,128	1,483	2,172	1,219	3,545

As a reminder, unless otherwise specified in regulation or by emergency order, commercial fishing for salmon is prohibited at all times within 500 yards of the fresh water of a salmon stream and over the beds or channels of streams and rivers at all stages of the tide. Fresh water is considered separated from salt water, at the mouth of streams and rivers, by a line drawn between the seaward extremities of the exposed tideland banks at the present stage of the tide, (5AAC 39.975(a)(26)).

The next scheduled commercial salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, August 15.

Announcement recordings are available on the 24-hour telephone recording in the Homer office at 907/235-7307.

Current Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing regulation books are available at ADF&G offices, and online here:

https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/static/regulations/fishregulations/pdfs/commercial/2024_2027_cf_cook_inlet_salmon.pdf

This website may also be accessed by scanning the QR code at right.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyarealci.salmon>,

which may also be accessed by scanning the adjacent QR code,

