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Advisory Announcement

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Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #27

SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Purse seine: 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. remains open on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 16-hour commercial fishing periods beginning at 6:00 AM on those days. Commercial purse seine fishing periods are anticipated to conclude in this district at 10:00 PM on Friday, September 5.

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). Set gillnet fishing periods will conclude at 10:00 PM on Friday, September 26 per regulation.

EASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Aialik Bay Subdistrict remain open to commercial common property purse seine harvest on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM fishing periods on those days. This includes waters of Petersen (Aialik) Lagoon south of 59° 53.84' N. latitude. Commercial purse seine fishing periods are anticipated to conclude in this district at 10:00 PM on Friday, September 5.

KAMISHAK DISTRICT: Anadromous waters restrictions that pertain to Cottonwood Creek, Ursus Cove creeks, Sunday Creek, the Bruin River, and Brown's Peak Creek remain suspended per previous announcements. Commercial salmon fishing is permitted up to the exposed headland banks of those systems at the present stage of the tide. 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 14,315 salmon entering Chenik Lake. This is above the SEG range of 2,900 – 13,700 fish. Commercial purse seine fishing periods are anticipated to conclude in this district at 10:00 PM on Friday, September 5.

OUTER DISTRICT: The following subdistricts remain open on a schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday sixteenhour 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 Rocky 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(f)(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). Commercial purse seine fishing periods are anticipated to conclude in this district at 10:00 PM on Friday, September 5.

The next scheduled commercial salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, September 5.

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,