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Westside Salmon Announcement 1 **Emergency Order 1 and 2**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding subsistence and commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside Salmon Announcement number 1 issued Thursday, May 28 at 12:00 noon.

By regulation, subsistence fishing in the commercial fishing district will close at midnight on May 31. Subsistence fishing in the Nushagak Section of the Nushagak District will reopen by emergency order June 1, at 12:00 a.m. and remain open until further notice. This announcement pertains to the commercial fishing district only; subsistence fishing on the Dillingham beaches is not affected by this announcement. Subsistence users in Dillingham can get a subsistence permit by email or in the Dillingham office.

Commercial fishing with set gillnets will open in the Igushik Section of the Nushagak District from 1:30 p.m. Monday, June 1 until 4:00 p.m. Friday, June 5. Mesh size in the Nushagak District commercial fishery is restricted to 5.5 inches or smaller for the conservation of king salmon from June 1 until further notice. Subsistence users are reminded that subsistence fishing is allowed during open commercial fishing periods.

Commercial fishermen are reminded that **District Registration Cards** must be filled out and filed with the department before they begin drift gillnet fishing anywhere in Bristol Bay or set gillnet fishing in the Nushagak District. District registration cards may be obtained at the Anchorage, King Salmon or Dillingham offices or downloaded from the internet. Cards may be returned by mail, email or in person.

Commercial fishing in the Togiak District opens June 1 and follows the regular weekly schedules in regulation.

Informational updates and announcements are available by calling our recorded message line at 842-5226. This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.

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