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Advisory Announcement:

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Sand Point Commercial Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #06 For Emergency Order #4-FS-M-SP-04-26

During the February 2026 Board of Fisheries meeting, status quo of the Chignik River early-run sockeye salmon action plan was agreed upon which would reduce the second, third, and fourth fishing periods by 50% within the Shumagin Islands Section of the Southeastern District in order to achieve the lower bound of the Chignik River early run sockeye salmon escapement goal. The lower bound of the Chignik River early sockeye salmon escapement objective of approximately 37,000 fish has been achieved for June 17. The lower bound of the Chignik early run sockeye escapement goal is projected to continue to be met, therefore restrictions in the Shumagin Islands Section will be lifted.

Commercial salmon fishing by seine gear will be extended in the **Shumagin Islands Section of the Southeastern District** from **3:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 17 until 11:59 p.m. Thursday, June 18.**

As previously announced:

The South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June fisheries will open to drift gillnet and set gillnet gear during the following times and dates:

From 6:00 a.m. Monday, June 15 until 10:00 p.m. Thursday, June 18 in the following districts and sections:

Otter Cove and Cape Lutke Sections of the Unimak District (Sanak Island Section closed)
Bechevin Bay Section of the Northwestern District
Southwestern District
West and East Pavlof Bay sections of the South Central District (set gillnet only)
Shumagin Islands Section of the Southeastern District

The South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June fisheries will open to seine gear during the following times and dates:

From 6:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 16 until 11:59 p.m. Thursday, June 18 in the following districts and sections:

Otter Cove and Cape Lutke Sections of the Unimak District (Sanak Island Section closed)
Bechevin Bay Section of the Northwestern District
Southwestern District

All closed waters in the above locations will be as described in the regulation book or as adjusted by emergency order.

Statistical charts and management strategies are available at the Sand Point, Cold Bay, and Port Moller ADF&G offices. Commercial salmon fishing regulations, commercial harvest, escapement, and news releases can be found on the ADF&G website at: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareaakpeninsula.salmon>.

Salmon fishery announcements will be broadcast on VHF channels 6 and 73 daily at 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and may also be obtained from ADF&G in Sand Point at 383-2334 (383-ADFG).

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