



Advisory Announcement

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Lower Cook Inlet Salmon Fishery Advisory Announcement #8

KAMISHAK DISTRICT: The Chenik Subdistrict including the portion of Chenik Lagoon east of 154° 08.33' W. long. (Figure 1) will open for two 14-hour fishing periods on the following days,

- on Tuesday, July 7 from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM, and
- on Wednesday, July 8 from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM.

An aerial survey flown on July 1 documented over 30,000 sockeye salmon in Chenik Lagoon.

Effective 12:01 AM, Tuesday, July 7 remaining subdistricts of the Kamishak District, excluding the McNeil River Subdistrict, the Paint River Subdistrict, and the Kirschner Lake special harvest area, will open to commercial salmon harvest. Fishing periods are 7-days per week, 24-hours per day.

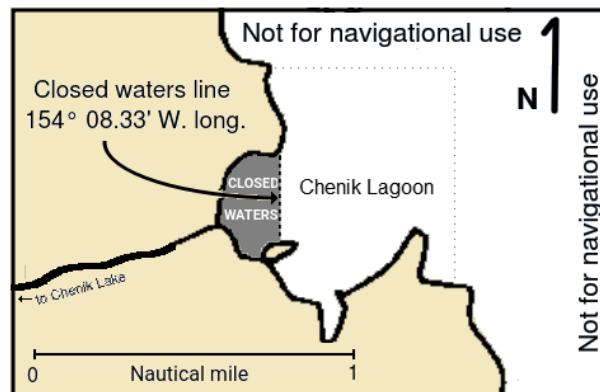


Figure 1.- Chenik Lagoon, west of 154° 08.33' W. long. is closed.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT: 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 set gillnet fishing periods to date is shown below,

Table 1.- Southern District 2026 set gillnet harvests (n-fish) by fishing period: current year, last year and previous 5-year average.

period			Chinook			Sockeye			Coho			Pink			Chum		
	dates	2026 del.	5-yr avg	2025 harv.	2026 harv.	5-yr avg	2025 harv.	2026 harv.	5-yr avg	2025 harv.	2026 harv.	5-yr avg	2025 harv.	2026 harv.	5-yr avg	2025 harv.	2026 harv.
1.)	6/1-6/3	5	12	4	9	403	210	390	0	0		6	6		53	203	5
2.)	6/4-6/6	5	16	4	15	458	204	455	0	0		0	0		22	16	1
3.)	6/8-6/10	7	19	16	8	663	333	578	0	0		0	0		54	52	4
4.)	6/11-6/13	5	14	12	12	734	446	576	0	0		2	2		48	110	7
5.)	6/15-6/17	7	22	22	13	903	373	1,452	1	0		1	0		48	51	44
6.)	6/18-6/20	7	18	12	8	954	685	1,326	0	0		3	1		80	82	14
7.)	6/22-6/24	5	14	3	19	1,205	622	786	1	0		3	0		89	77	32
8.)	6/25-6/27	5	11	5	14	1,317	1,227	661	0	0		7	7	1	94	113	68
9.)	6/29-7/1	7	7	8	10	2,136	2,287	1,444	1	1		21	27	2	229	338	58
period 1-9 sum			133	86	108	8,773	6,387	7,668	3	1	0	43	43	3	717	1,042	233

Purse seine: In the Southern District, waters in the vicinity of Coal Point as defined by a rectangle between the following points, 59° 36.43' N. lat., 151° 25.36' W. long., 59° 36.43' N. lat., 151° 23.65' W. long., 59° 35.57' N. lat., 151° 23.65' W. long., and 59° 35.57' N. lat., 151° 25.36' W. longitude will **remain closed** to commercial salmon harvest.

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), and
- the Neptune Bay and China Poot Bay sections, excluding the Hazel Lake and China Poot SHAs.

The Northshore Subdistrict and all other areas of the Southern District remain closed to commercial purse seine salmon harvest. Seine harvest through July 1 from the Southern District is approximately 30,500 sockeye, 50 Chinook, 110 chum, 50 pink, and 1 coho salmon.

EASTERN DISTRICT: Commercial purse seine salmon fishing in Resurrection Bay remains open on an ongoing schedule of 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM Monday through Friday fishing periods. The Resurrection Bay Subdistrict will close to commercial salmon harvest at 10:00 PM on Friday, July 10 for the 2026 season.

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, July 10.

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, area maps, 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,

