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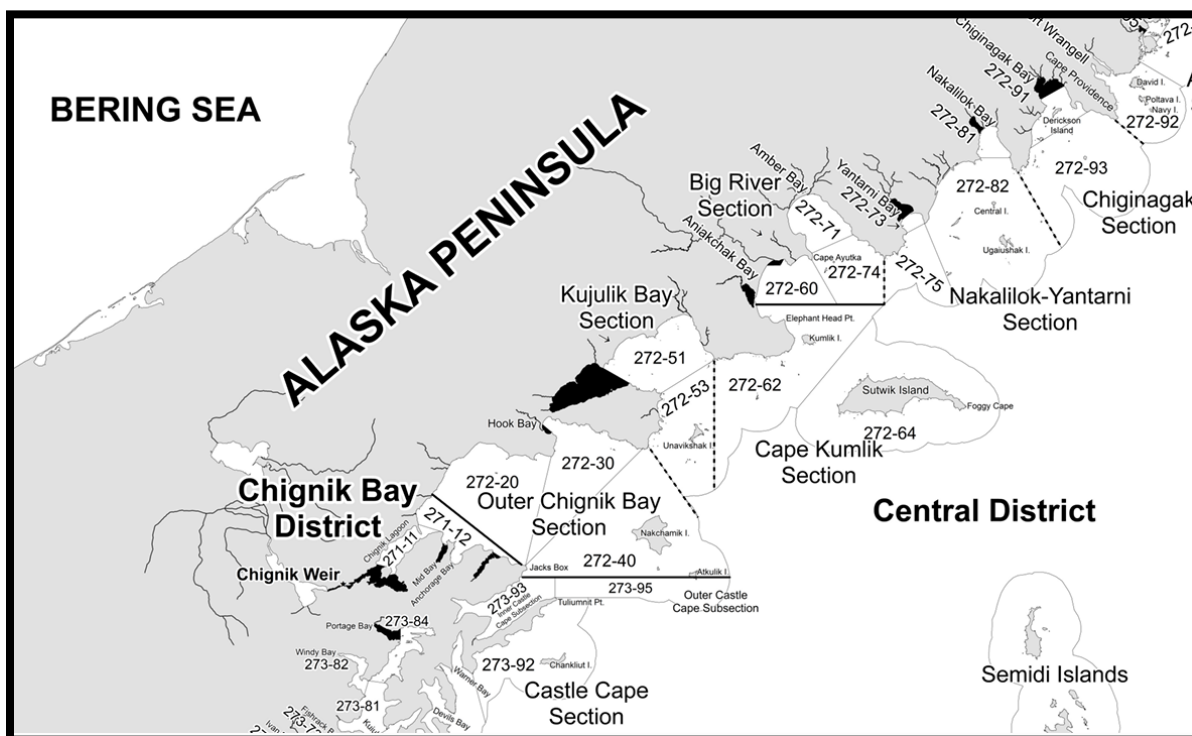
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Chignik Commercial Salmon Advisory Announcement #17 For E.O. 4-FS-L-17-26

The **Chignik Bay District**, **Central District**, and **Inner Castle Cape** subsection of the Western District will be **open** to commercial salmon fishing beginning at **6:00 a.m. Monday, August 3 through 10:00 p.m. Friday, August 7** except that:

- **Inner Kujulik Bay** (statistical area 272-51), defined as *all waters inland of a line from 56° 33.53 N. lat., 157° 49.35 W. long. to 56° 36.51 N. lat., 157° 40.72 W. long. in the Kujulik Bay Section of the Central District*, will remain **closed** to commercial salmon fishing until further notice.



- The Chignik Bay District lagoon markers will be located at **Mensis Point** beginning **August 3**.

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As previously announced:

The **Western District** will **open** to commercial salmon fishing at **12:01 a.m. Saturday, August 1**, and remain **open** except that:

- The **Inner Castle Cape** subsection (**statistical area 273-93**) of the Western District will remain **closed** until 6:00 a.m. Monday, August 3.
- The **East Mitrofanina** closure expires after July 31; therefore, **East Mitrofanina (statistical area 273-77)** will be **open** starting 12:01 a.m. August 1.

The **Eastern** and **Perryville Districts** will remain **closed** to commercial salmon fishing until further notice.

Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the Chignik Management Area commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed. However, all permit holders **must retain all visibly injured or dead Chinook salmon**, which must be recorded on a fish ticket.

A commercial salmon fishing permit holder may not subsistence fish for salmon during the 12 hours before a commercial salmon fishing period or during the 12 hours following the closure of a commercial salmon fishing period.

Permit holders are reminded that all closed waters are as listed in regulation 5 AAC 15.350.

Statistical charts, harvest strategies, and subsistence fishing permits are available at the Chignik weir and the Kodiak regional ADF&G offices. Commercial fishing regulations, commercial harvest, escapement, and news releases can be found on the ADF&G website.

Fishers are encouraged to monitor VHF Channel 6 at 9:15 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. daily for fishery updates.

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