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Advisory Announcement

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Chignik Commercial Salmon Advisory Announcement #20

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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 17 through 10:00 p.m. Friday, August 21** except that:

- **Inner Kujulik Bay (statistical area 272-51)**, will remain **closed** to commercial salmon fishing until further notice.

The Chignik Bay District lagoon markers are located at **Mensis Point**.

As previously announced:

The **Chignik Bay District**, **Central District**, and **Inner Castle Cape** subsection of the Western District will **close** at **10:00 p.m. Friday, August 14**.

The **Eastern**, **Perryville**, and **Western** (excluding Inner Castle Cape) **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.

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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