Alaska Board of Fisheries P.O. Box 115526 Juneau, AK 99811

Kodiak Board Meeting

Proposal 63

Close all waters within 500 yard radius of the terminus of the Ayakulik River to commercial salmon fishing

Following enclosed pages were recorded between June 4th to June 19th, 2014 to show the impact commercial salmon fishing has on the Ayakulik River when waters are open to the stream terminus (steam #256-201).

Notes include Emergency Orders and list dates, tidal time frames, weather conditions, activity times, number of guided sport fisherman, number of fish caught, wildlife activity, and daily sockeye and king salmon weir counts.

Than You & Regards,

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DAILY LOG AYAKULIK RIVER, KODIAK ALASKA JUNE 4TH THROUGH JUNE 19TH, 2014 FROM A SPORT FISHING PERSPECTIVE

June 4th

Ayakulik River in great condition for sport fishing. Excellent numbers of sockeye salmon entering the Ayakulik River and passing through the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game weir system.

74,482 sockeye salmon passed the weir as of June 4th, 2014.

King salmon are showing up in good daily numbers.

127 king salmon have passed through the weir as of June 4th, 2014.

June 5th

Commercial fishing to begin within the Inner and Outer Ayakulik sections including the stream terminus of the Ayakulik River (stream #256-201) at noon June 5th continuing till 9:00 p.m. June 7th.

Emergency Order #4-FS-K-02-14 posted June 3rd, 2014.

High tides at 7:23 a.m. and 8:37 p.m.

Noon - over 30 boats are commercial fishing the Inner and Outer Ayakulik including the stream terminus of the Ayakulik River Boat seine nets continuously "corking" the mouth of the Ayakulik River.

June 5th weir count:

Sockeye - 13,545 / I suspect the previous evening tide on June 4th and the morning tide on June 5th delivered the majority of sockeye salmon.

King - 40 / also the same assumption that this number of kings were able to enter the river system prior to the opening of commercial fishing at noon on June 5th.

June 6th

First day of sport fishing guests on the Ayakulik River. Two total.

Commercial fishing boats have been fishing continuously since the opening on June 5th at noon. Mouth of the Ayakulik River is being "corked" with seine net after seine net.

Two sport fisherman fished all day 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with ZERO fish caught.

High tides at 8:28 a.m. and 9:29 p.m.

June 6th weir count:

Sockeye - 2,816

King - 12

Emergency Order #4-FS-K-03-14 posted June 6th, 2014 has extended commercial fishing within the Inner and Outer Ayakulik sections including the stream terminus of the Ayakulik River (stream #256-201) from June 7th at 9:00 p.m. to June 9th at 9:00 p.m.

June 7th

Commercial fishing boats continuously fishing. Mouth of Ayakulik River is still being "corked" by seine net after seine net. When one boat pulls out another boat is placing a net across the mouth of the Ayakulik River.

Two sport fisherman fished all day 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with ZERO fish caught.

High tides at 9:44 a.m. and 10:19 p.m.

June 7th weir count:

Sockeye - 47

King-0

June 8th

Commercial fishing boats continuously fishing. Mouth of Ayakulik River being "corked" with seine net after seine net.

Two sport fisherman fished all day 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with 1 sockeye caught.

High tides at 11:02 a.m. and 11:08 p.m.

June 8th weir count:

Sockeye - 2,903

King-5

June 9th

Commercial fishing boats continuously fishing. Mouth of Ayakulik River "corked" with seine net after seine net.

Emergency Order #4-FS-K-04-14 posted June 9th, 2014 extends commercial fishing within the Inner and Outer Ayakulik Sections including the stream terminus of the Ayakulik River (stream #256-201) from June 9th at 9:00 p.m. to June 13th at 9:00 p.m.

Four sport fisherman fished all day 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with 8 total sockeye salmon landed.

High tides at 12:10 p.m. and 11:55 p.m.

June 9th weir count:

Sockeye - 3,100

King-12

June 10th

Commercial fishing boats continuously fishing. Mouth of Ayakulik River "corked" with seine net after seine net.

Four sport fisherman fished all day 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with 11 total sockeye salmon landed High tides Neap tide and 1:07 p.m.

June 10th weir count:

Sockeye - 1,471

King - 7

Commercial fishing boats FINALLY all took a break from fishing at 9:00 p.m. on June 10th

June 11th

First time the seals entered the Ayakulik River lagoon on the early June 11th 12:40 a.m. high tide since the commercial fishing boats began fishing on June 5th at noon. Seals chasing salmon within the lagoon on early tide of June 11th (1:00 a.m. time frame)

Commercial fishing boats resumed fishing all day including "corking" the mouth of the Ayakulik River. Four sport fisherman fished all day 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with 3 total kings caught and 37 sockeye caught. Finally a break for the sport fisherman with fish in the Ayakulik River system that arrived on the early morning tide. Sport fishing good in the morning then poor the remaining rest of the day.

High tides at 12:40 a.m. and 1:57 p.m.

June 11th weir count:

Sockeye - 3,703

King - 9

Commercial fishing boats took another break from fishing at 9:30 p.m. on June 11th.

Emergency Order #2-RS-4-18-14 posted June 11th, 2014 increasing sport fishing bag limit and possession of sockeye salmon in the Ayakulik River to 10 per day. Effective June 12th, 12:01 a.m.

June 12th

Commercial fishing boats resumed fishing in the morning including "corking" the mouth of the Ayakulik River.

Emergency Order #4-FS-K-05-14 posted June 12th, 2014 extends commercial fishing within the Outer and Inner Ayakulik sections including the stream terminus of the Ayakulik River (stream #256-201) from 9:00 p.m. June 12th to 9:00 p.m. June 15th.

Four sport fisherman fished all day 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with 29 total sockeye caught.

High tides at 1:25 a.m. and 2:43 p.m.

June 12th weir count:

Sockeye - 398

King - 2

Commercial fishing boats took break from fishing at 7:30 p.m. June 12th

June 13th

Commercial fisherman resumed fishing in the morning including "corking" the mouth of the Ayakulik River especially during the high tide time frame.

High winds NW/W at 30 knots and rain. White caps on ocean.

Four sport fisherman fished in the morning from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. with 3 sockeye caught.

River raising with the rain and turning brownish color.

High tides at 2:10 a.m. and 3:38 p.m.

June 13th weir count:

Sockeye - 2,037

King-24

Commercial fishing boats took break from fishing at 9:00 p.m.

June 14th

Commercial fishing boats resumed fishing in morning including "corking" the mouth of the Ayakulik River. Winds NW/W beginning at 25 knots and decreased to 15 knots during the day.

River in poor condition from the previous rain. Raised and brown in color.

Four sport fisherman fished from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. with ZERO fish caught. Returned and fished river from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with 2 sockeye caught.

High tides at 2:56 a.m. and 4:13 p.m.

June 14th weir count:

Sockeye - 541

King - 16

Commercial fishing boats took break from fishing at 5:00 p.m.

June 15th

Commercial fisherman resumed fishing in the morning including "corking" the mouth of the Ayakulik River.

Emergnecy Order #4-FS-K-06-14 posted June 15th, 2014 CLOSES the Inner and Outer Ayakulik sections including the stream terminus of the Ayakulik River (stream #256-201) at 9:00 p.m. June 15th.

FINALLY the Ayakulik River is closed to commercial fishing after opening on June 5th at noon.

Six sport fisherman fished all day 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and caught 3 kings and 1 sockeye.

High tides at 3:43 a.m. and 4:59 p.m.

June 15th weir count:

Sockeye - 1,841

King-23

Commercial fishing boats stopped fishing and left the Ayakulik River area at 9:00 p.m.

June 16th and 17th - Rain and more rain. River is rising rapidly. Poor river conditions for sport fishing.

June 16th weir count: Sockeye - 1,206

King - 43

June 17th weir count:

Sockeye - 2,200

King - 30

June 18th - water level rose to an extreme level from rain. Terrible river conditions for sport fishing.

June 18th weir count:

Sockeye - 1,400

King - 15

June 19th - water level extreme. Panels pulled from the weir system. Terrible river conditions for sport fishing.

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