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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT # 19 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-19-26

There will be a **72-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **9:00 p.m. Sunday, July 12 to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 15** in the **Outer Ayakulik Section** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**.

There will be a **57-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Monday, July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 15** in the following areas:

- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections** of the **Alitak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northeast Kodiak District** (except the Buskin River Section will remain closed);
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except that portion of Pasagshak Bay northeast of a line from a point at 57°26.04' N lat. 152°31.13' W long. to a point at 57°25.44' N lat. 152°29.39' W long, will remain closed);
- The **Afognak District** (except the Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay Sections remain closed); and
- The **Mainland District** (except the Seaward Zone of the Cape Igvak Section will remain closed).

Closed Waters:

Closed waters for Saltery Creek (stream #259-415) are normal closed waters as described in regulation from **noon Monday, July 13 to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 15**.

Concerning the North Shelikof Strait Fishery:

Short notice, inperiod closures may occur for seine fisheries in the Seaward Zones of the North Shelikof Strait area as designated in the North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 18.363). Closure announcements may occur at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., noon, 2:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., or 8:00 p.m. on VHF channel 6.

Fishermen are reminded that in the **Kodiak Area (including the Mainland District)** until further notice, **Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear** in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

As Previously Announced:

The **Inner and Outer Upper Station Sections** of the **Alitak District** will **close** at **9:00 p.m. Sunday, July 12**. Waters remain open to the stream terminus of Olga Creek (stream #257-304).

The **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area** (Telrod Cove) **remains open** to commercial salmon fishing until **further notice**.

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Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350). Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.