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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT # 24 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-24-26

There will be a **48-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 29 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, July 31** in the following areas:

- The **Cape Alitak, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections** of the **Alitak District**.

As Previously Announced:

The following areas will **close** as scheduled at **9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 29:**

- The **Humpy-Deadman Section** of the **Alitak District**;
- The **Outer Ayakulik and Halibut Bay Sections** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Anton Larsen Bay, Sheratin Bay, Kizhuyak Bay, and Terror Bay Sections remain closed);
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**;
- The **Eastside Kodiak District** (except the Inner Ugak Bay Section and 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, remain closed);
- The **Afognak District** (except the Izhut Bay Section is open until further notice, and the Inner and Outer Kitoi Bay Sections remain closed); and
- The **Mainland District** (except the Seaward Zone of the Cape Igvak Section remains closed).

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.

The following areas remain **open until further notice:**

- The **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area** (Telrod Cove); and
- The **Izhut Bay Section** of the **Afognak District**.

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.

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.