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Advisory Announcement

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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT # 38 **For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-38-26**

There will be a **72-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **6:00 p.m. Monday, August 17 to 6:00 p.m. Thursday, August 20** in the following areas:

- The **Outer Karluk, Outer Ayakulik, Halibut Bay, and Sturgeon Sections of the Southwest Kodiak District;**
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Anton Larsen Bay, Sharatin Bay, and Kizhuyak Bay Sections remain closed);
- The **Southwest Afognak Section of the Afognak District;** and,
- The **Cape Alitak, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections of the Alitak District;**

There will be a **54-hour** commercial salmon fishing period from **noon Tuesday, August 18 to 6:00 p.m. Thursday, August 20** in the following areas:

- The **Humpy-Deadman Section of the Alitak District;**
- The **Seven Rivers, Two-Headed, and Sitkalidak Sections of the Eastside Kodiak District;**
- The **Northeast Kodiak District;** and,
- The **Northwest Afognak and Southeast Afognak Sections of the Afognak District.**

The current commercial salmon fishing period in the **Izhut Bay Section of the Afognak District** will be **extended until further notice.**

The **Outer Kitoi Bay Section of the Afognak District** will **open** to commercial salmon fishing at **noon Tuesday, August 18 and remain open until further notice.**

There will be a **54-hour** commercial salmon fishing period in the **Inner Kitoi Bay Section of the Afognak District** from **approximately noon Tuesday, August 18, when a flare is launched by hatchery staff,** until **6:00 p.m. Thursday, August 20.**

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** for **54-hours** from **noon Tuesday, August 18 to 6:00 p.m. Thursday, August 20** in **Kitoi Bay** to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi Bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324).

As Previously Announced:

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

- The **Duck Bay Section of the Afognak District.**

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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.

Cost recovery fisheries have begun in the Kitoi Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA). Fishing opportunities in the Duck Bay, Izhut Bay, Inner Kitoi Bay, and Outer Kitoi Bay sections will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs, and all cost recovery information can be obtained by calling 486-6559.

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.