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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #15 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-15-22

The current commercial salmon fishery in the following areas will be **extended until further notice**:

- The **Izhut Bay and Outer Kitoi Bay Sections** of the **Afognak District**.

There will be a **24-hour extension** to the current commercial salmon fishing period from **9:00 p.m. Friday, July 15** until **9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 16** in the following areas:

- The **Outer Ayakulik and Halibut Bay Sections** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**; and
- The **Cape Alitak, Humpy-Deadman, Alitak Bay, Moser Bay, and Olga Bay Sections** of the **Alitak District**.

As previously Announced:

The **Mainland District** will **close** to commercial salmon fishing at **9:00 p.m. Friday, July 15**.

The following areas will **close** to commercial salmon fishing at to **9:00 p.m. Saturday, July 16**:

- The **Outer Karluk Section** of the **Southwest Kodiak District**;
- The **Northwest Kodiak District** (except the Kizhuyak Bay, Inner Uganik Bay, and Zachar Bay Sections will remain closed);
- The **Northeast Kodiak District**;
- 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, and closed waters for Sallery Creek (stream # 259-415) are normal closed waters as described in regulation); and,
- The **Afognak District** (except the Izhut Bay and Outer Kitoi Bay Sections will be extended until further notice).

Fishermen are reminded that, **until further notice**, in that **portion of the Northwest Kodiak and Southwest Kodiak districts south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, 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.

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 (**including the Cape Igvak Section**), 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.

Cost recovery fisheries have begun in the **Spiridon Bay Special Harvest Area (SHA)** and the **Spiridon Bay SHA** will remain **closed to common property fishing**. Fishery opportunities in the Spiridon Bay SHA will be dependent on the ability to meet KRAA cost recovery needs. 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.