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Advisory Announcement

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Chignik Commercial Salmon Fishery Announcement # 05

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The markers for the current commercial salmon fishing period in the **Chignik Bay District** will move from Mensis Point to Pillar Rock effective **9:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 20.**

As previously Announced:

The current commercial salmon fishing period in the **Chignik Bay, Central, Eastern, Western, and Perryville Districts** was **extended** for **96 hours from 12:00 p.m. Sunday, July 17 until 12:00 p.m. Thursday, July 21.**

Fishermen are reminded that, **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 in the **Chignik Bay District.**

A reminder that effective as of **12:01 a.m. Wednesday, July 13, 2022 until Friday, 11:59 p.m. December 31, 2022, Chinook salmon greater than 28 inches in length in the Chignik Bay District and all Chinook**

salmon in the Chignik River drainage, from Mensis Point upstream including Chignik Lake and its tributaries, may not be retained in the state subsistence fishery.

Permit holders are reminded that all closed waters are as listed in regulation 5 AAC 15.350.

As a reminder, a commercial salmon fishing license holder may not subsistence fish for salmon during the 12 hours before a commercial salmon fishing period or during the 12 hours following the closure of a commercial salmon fishing period.

Statistical charts, harvest strategies, and subsistence fishing permits are available at the Chignik weir and the Kodiak regional ADF&G offices. Commercial fishing regulations, commercial harvest, escapement, and news releases can be found on the ADF&G website at <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareachignik.salmon>. Fishermen are encouraged to standby on VHF Channel 6 at 9:15 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. daily for fishery updates. Escapement, harvest, and news release updates can also be heard on the Chignik commercial salmon message phone line by calling (907) 486-1839.

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