



Advisory Announcement

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2020 Yukon River Salmon Summer Fishery Announcement #10 Districts 4, 5, and 6 Subsistence and Personal Use Fishing Schedules

Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area

The first pulse of Chinook salmon is late, and current projections indicate there may be no harvestable surplus on a run of this size. At this time it is essential to close subsistence fishing for Chinook salmon and allow all of the early tricklers to head toward their spawning grounds. The first large group of summer chum salmon are arriving now in the lower river, slightly later than last year. Opportunity for selective harvest of chum salmon will be allowed once chum salmon arrive in each area.

During subsistence fishing closures, no gillnets are allowed. At this time, 4-inch or smaller mesh gear is not allowed for the harvest of non-salmon, in order to avoid bycatch of Chinook salmon from this gear. **During subsistence salmon fishing closures, gillnets, dip nets or beach seines are not allowed. Fish wheels may not be operated during closures.**

Subsistence fishing:

District 4 (Anvik, Grayling, Kaltag, Nulato, Koyukuk, Galena, and Ruby):

Subsistence fishing is currently closed until further notice.

The period from 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 23 to 6 p.m. Wednesday June 24 is cancelled.

Fishermen should stand by for future announcements.

Koyukuk River (including Huslia, Hughes, Allakaket, Bettles):

Subsistence fishing is currently open with 7.5 inch of smaller mesh gillnets.

Effective 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 23 gillnets will be restricted to 6 inch or smaller mesh. Fishing will remain open 24 hours a day, seven days per week.

Subdistrict 5-A, 5-B and 5-B (Tanana and Rampart):

Subsistence fishing is currently open with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets.

As previously announced, effective 6 a.m., Tuesday, June 23 subsistence fishing will close. Fishing will remain closed until further notice. Stand by for future announcements.

Subdistrict 5-D (including Stevens Village, Beaver, Venetie, Birch Creek, Fort Yukon, Chalkyitsik, Circle, and Eagle):

Subsistence fishing is currently open with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets.

Effective 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 23 subsistence fishing will close until further notice. Stand by for future announcements.

Subdistrict 6-A and 6-B (from the mouth of the Tanana River upstream to the Wood River, including Manley, Minto, and Nenana):

Subsistence fishing is currently open with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets.

Effective 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 23 subsistence fishing will close. Stand by for future announcements.

Kantishna River:

Subsistence salmon fishing in the Kantishna River is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week with 7.5 inch or smaller mesh gillnets.

Old Minto Area:

Subsistence fishing is currently open 24 hours a day with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets.

Effective 6 p.m., Wednesday, June 24 subsistence fishing will close until further notice. Stand by for future announcements.

Upper Tanana Area (from the mouth of Volkmar River on the north bank, and the mouth of the Johnson River on the south bank, upstream to the Tanana River headwaters, including Dot Lake, Tok, Tanacross, Northway):

Subsistence fishing is open 24 hours a day, seven days per week with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh size gillnets and fish wheels.

Personal Use Fishing

Subdistrict 6-C Personal Use Salmon (from the Wood River upstream to the Salcha River, including Fairbanks, North Pole, and Salcha):

Personal Use salmon fishing is closed and will remain closed until further notice. Stand by for future announcements.

COVID-19

Under Alaska’s Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, Subsistence fishing is Essential and is part of Alaska’s Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Subsistence fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: <https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/>.



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