



Advisory Announcement

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2020 Yukon River Salmon Summer Fishery Announcement #24

Districts 2 and 3 Subsistence Fishing Schedule

Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

The current counts of Chinook salmon at Pilot Station sonar indicate the run size is projected to meet escapement goals and support some harvest. Poor weather and fishing conditions may be limiting harvests of salmon at this time. To provide opportunity for summer chum and limited Chinook salmon harvest, the fishing schedule is being relaxed to the full regulatory schedule with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets. Subsistence fishermen may continue to use dipnets and beach seines during gillnet openings and all salmon may be retained.

During subsistence fishing closures, fishermen may use 4-inch or smaller mesh gillnets to target non-salmon in mainstem and tributary waters.

Subsistence Management Actions

District 2 (including Mountain Village, Pitkas Point, St. Mary's, Pilot Station, and Marshall):

Subsistence fishing is currently closed.

Fishing will open for a previously announced 18-hour period from 2 p.m. Saturday, July 4 to 8 a.m. Sunday, July 5. Fishing will close for 12 hours and reopen on the full regulatory schedule.

Effective 8 p.m. Sunday, July 5, fishing will open with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets on a schedule of two 36-hour periods per week from:

8 p.m. Sundays to 8 a.m. Tuesdays

8 p.m. Wednesdays to 8 a.m. Fridays

District 3 (including Russian Mission and Holy Cross):

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Innoko River:

Subsistence fishing is currently open 24 hours a day, seven days per week with **6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets**.

General Reminders:

Dip net mesh size is restricted to 4.5-inch or smaller. Beach seines must be set from the beach and hauled to the beach. Beach seine gear may not exceed 150 fathoms in length, 100 meshes in depth, and 4-inches stretched measure. Additionally, beach seines may not be constructed of monofilament webbing. **All salmon must be released alive from dip nets and beach seines during salmon fishing closures, but may be retained when salmon fishing periods are open.**



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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/>.