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The Federal Subsistence Board Adopts Temporary Special Action FSA23-01

The Federal Subsistence Board (Board) met by teleconference (open to the public) on April 19, 2023 and adopted Fisheries Temporary Special Action FSA23-01 for conservation purposes. Specifically, the Board closed Federal public waters of the Kanektok River to the harvest of Chum Salmon by non-federally qualified users during June, 2023 and June, 2024.

The Board addressed the low abundance for Chum Salmon stocks across western Alaska that have led to other closures, concerns raised by local users about Kanektok River stocks, and the lack of monitoring in the system as justification for their action. The Board also acknowledged statewide Chinook Salmon conservation concerns and encouraged further monitoring and research to ensure healthy returns of Kanektok River salmon.

Additional information on the Federal Subsistence Management Program may be found on the web at www.doi.gov/subsistence or by visiting www.facebook.com/subsistencealaska.

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