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**DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES**  
**NEWS RELEASE**



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**2018 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 10**  
**District 2 Commercial Period 3 and Subsistence Schedule**  
Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

The 2018 fall chum salmon preseason run projection is for a run size of 700,000 to 900,000 fish. This level of abundance is anticipated to be sufficient to meet escapement and subsistence needs and provide a surplus for commercial and personal use purposes.

**District 2 Commercial Fishing:**

**Commercial fishing will be open for one period in District 2, from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 25.** This will be a 6-hour commercial fishing period with gillnets restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh size. The sale of Chinook salmon is prohibited. Chinook salmon retained from commercial gillnet gear must be recorded on a fish ticket as retained but not sold.

**District 2 Subsistence Salmon Fishing Schedule:**

Subsistence salmon fishing in District 2 is open during the fall season 7 days per week, 24 hours per day with gillnets restricted to a maximum mesh size of 7.5 inches, except for 12 hours before, during, and 12 hours after commercial fishing periods. **Subsistence salmon fishing will close at 3:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 25, and reopen at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, July 26.** Fishermen may use 4-inch or smaller mesh size gillnets to target non-salmon species during subsistence salmon closures.

Preliminary reports from the District 2 commercial opening on July 22 indicate a harvest of 7,204 fall chum salmon from 63 permit holders. The preliminary cumulative commercial harvest for District 2 is 14,346 fall chum salmon.

This is an announcement by the ADF&G in consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. To reach the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Emmonak call 949-1798. The Emmonak ADF&G office will stand by on VHF channel 7A. News releases and fishery information will be shared on Facebook at: [www.facebook.com/YukonRiverFishingADFG](http://www.facebook.com/YukonRiverFishingADFG)

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