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NEWS RELEASE**



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**2019 Yukon River Summer Salmon Fishery News Release # 24
Districts 1 and 2 Commercial Fishing Schedule
Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area**

After a late start, summer chum salmon entering the lower river has recently increased dramatically and passage by the sonar has exceeded the lower end of the drainage-wide escapement goal of 500,000 fish. Current projections indicate a commercial surplus is available for harvest. The commercial fishing season for summer chum salmon will start in the Lower Yukon. Fishermen must confirm they have a buyer and should check on tender locations prior to fishing.

Chinook salmon may not be sold. All Chinook salmon retained for subsistence must be recorded on a fish ticket.

District 1 Commercial:

Commercial fishing will open for two periods with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets:

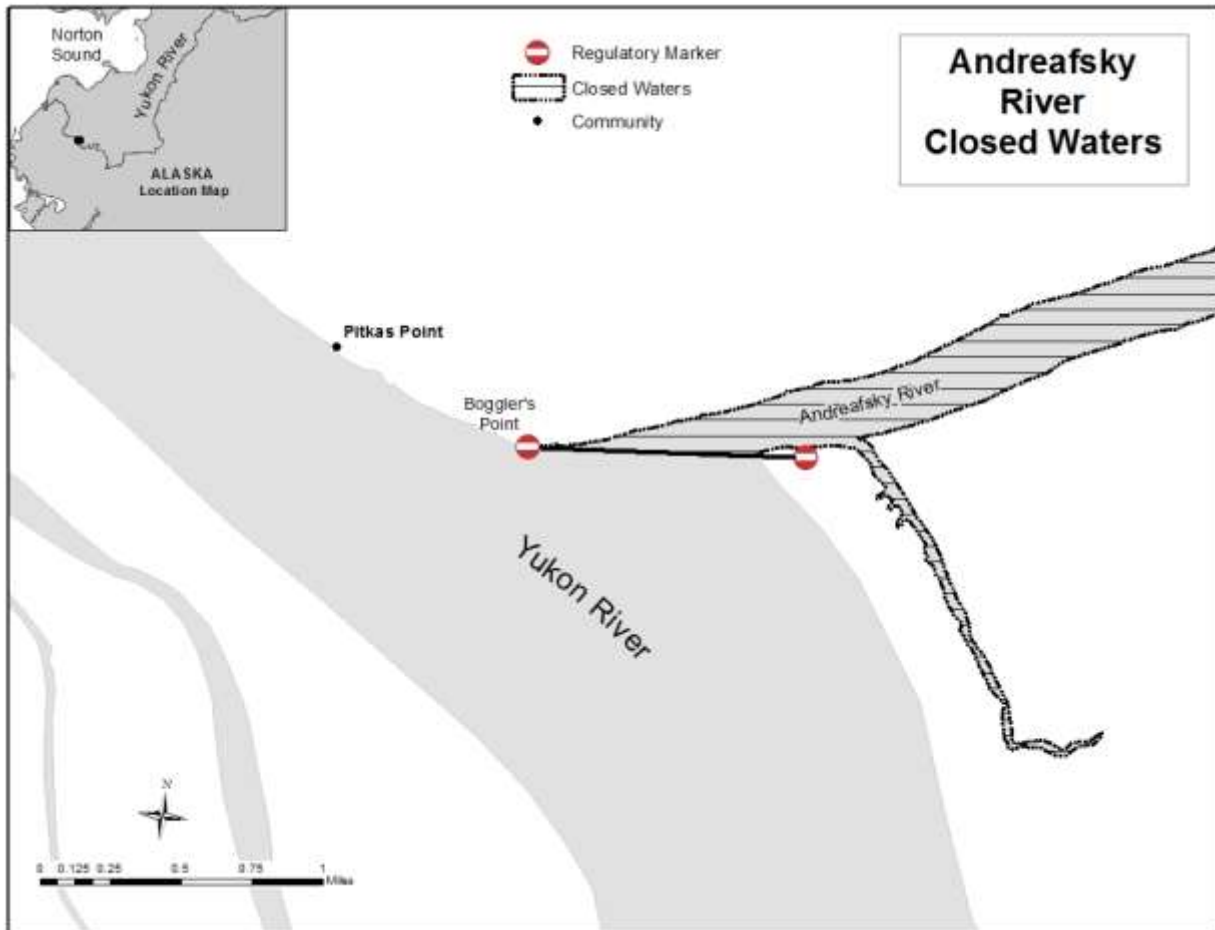
- An 8-hour period from 4 p.m. to midnight Wednesday, July 3
- An 8-hour period from 6 p.m. Thursday, July 4 until 2 a.m. Friday, July 5

District 2 Commercial:

Commercial fishing will open for one period with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets:

- A 6-hour period from 6 p.m. to midnight Friday, July 5

As a reminder, the Andreafsky River is closed to commercial fishing and fishermen should be mindful not to target summer chum salmon headed into the Andreafsky River to spawn (see map).



News releases, test fish catches, and sonar counts are also available on Facebook:

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