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2019 Yukon River Salmon Fishery News Release #25 District 3 Subsistence Fishing Schedule

Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

The summer chum run projections have improved with strong late groups of chum moving into the river. The lower end of the drainage-wide escapement goal of 500,000 to 1.2 million summer chum is likely to be met. Chinook salmon are still entering the river and the run appears to be coming in stronger than the 2018 run. Subsistence fishing times are being returned to the regulatory schedule to allow more fishing opportunity.

District 3: Subsistence fishing is currently closed.

The previously announced 18-hour period for Wednesday, July 3 is being extended:

Effective 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 3, subsistence salmon fishing will open with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets from:

• 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 3 to 8 a.m. Friday, July 5

Effective 8 p.m. Sunday, July 7, fishing will reopen with 7.5 inch or smaller mesh gillnets for <u>two 36-hour</u> periods per week from:

- 8 p.m. Sundays to 8 a.m. Tuesdays
- 8 p.m. Wednesdays to 8 a.m. Fridays

Innoko River (Shageluk): Subsistence fishing is open with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets 24-hours per day, seven days per week.

During subsistence salmon fishing closures, fishing for **non-salmon** species is allowed. However, gillnet mesh must be 4-inch or smaller.

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