ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES NEWS RELEASE



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2019 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 48 District 6 Commercial and Personal Use Fishing Districts Affected: 6

The 2019 Yukon River coho salmon run, based on inseason assessment and using late run timing, is estimated to be 172,000 fish, which is below the average run size of 215,000 fish. Several boat surveys of the Delta Clearwater River (DCR) conducted over the last week indicates low numbers of coho salmon in the river. An escapement goal of 5,200 to 17,000 coho salmon is established for the DCR. The department will attempt to conduct another boat survey on the DCR early next week. If coho salmon numbers improve, the department will assess whether additional commercial and personal use periods are warranted. Commercial and personal use fishermen should stand by for announcements regarding additional periods in District 6.

District 6 Commercial Salmon Fishing:

Commercial salmon fishing in District 6 is open for a two-periods per week schedule from 6:00 p.m. Mondays through 12:00 noon Wednesdays, and 6:00 p.m. Fridays through 12:00 noon Sundays. The period scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Friday, October 4 through 12:00 noon Sunday, October 6, has been cancelled. No additional commercial periods have been announced at this time.

Subdistrict 6-C Personal Use Salmon Fishing:

Personal use salmon fishing in Subdistrict 6-C is open for a two-periods per week schedule from 6:00 p.m. Mondays through 12:00 noon Wednesdays, and 6:00 p.m. Fridays through 12:00 noon Sundays. The period scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Friday, October 4 through 12:00 noon Sunday, October 6, has been cancelled. No additional personal use periods have been announced at this time.

District 6 Whitefish and Sucker Personal Use Fishing:

Personal use whitefish and sucker fishermen using gear other than gillnets: Personal use fishing remains open 7 days per week, 24 hours per day.

Personal use whitefish and sucker fishermen using gillnets: Personal use whitefish and sucker fishing in Subdistrict 6-C is open for a two-periods per week schedule from 6:00 p.m. Mondays

through 12:00 noon Wednesdays, and 6:00 p.m. Fridays through 12:00 noon Sundays. The period scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Friday, October 4 through 12:00 noon Sunday, October 6, has been cancelled. No additional personal use periods have been announced at this time.

Subsistence salmon fishing in District 6 remains open on the previously announced schedules. For the current fishing schedules, call (866) 479-7387 or 459-7387 in Fairbanks.

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