



Advisory Announcement

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2020 Yukon River Salmon Summer Fishery Announcement #6 Subdistricts 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C Subsistence Fishing Schedule

Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area

The 2020 Chinook salmon run size is forecasted to be smaller than the 2019 run. The first subsistence-caught Chinook and summer chum salmon were reported on the Lower Yukon on May 27 and May 28. The subsistence fishing schedule is being reduced to half the regulatory (windows) fishing schedule and gillnets will be restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh before the first pulse arrives. This is intended to limit the harvest on Chinook salmon while more information about the timing and strength of the run is collected.

As a reminder, the following gears are legal during subsistence salmon openings in District 5; set gillnets, dip nets, beach seines, and fishwheels. During subsistence salmon fishing closures, fishing for non-salmon species is allowed; however, gillnets must have 4-inch or smaller mesh and fishwheels may not operate.

Subsistence Management Actions

Subdistrict 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C (Tanana and Rampart):

Subsistence fishing is currently open with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets.

Effective 6 a.m., Tuesday, June 23 subsistence fishing will close. Subsistence salmon fishing will reopen Tuesday, June 23, at 6 p.m. with gillnets restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh on a reduced regulatory schedule consisting of two 24-hour periods per week from:

- 6 p.m. Tuesdays to 6 p.m. Wednesdays
- 6 p.m. Fridays to 6 p.m. Saturdays

Yukon River Permit Areas:

A subsistence fishing permit is required to fish for all species from the westernmost tip of Garnet Island upstream to the mouth of Dall River (Dalton Highway bridge area; Subdistrict 5-C and a portion of Subdistrict 5-D).

COVID-19

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, Subsistence fishing is Essential and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Subsistence fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: <https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/>.



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