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2019 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 11 District 4 Subsistence Fishing Schedule

Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area

Most of the chum salmon that have entered the Yukon River to date have been summer chum salmon. The 2019 fall chum salmon preseason projection, based on the summer chum to fall chum salmon relationship, has been revised to 700,000-800,000 fish. Run sizes within this range are expected to provide for escapement, subsistence needs, and a limited commercial fishery. Given this projected run size, the subsistence schedule is being relaxed to seven days per week in District 4 to provide more fishing opportunity.

Subdistrict 4-A (from ¾ mile downstream of Old Paradise Village upstream to Cone Point, which includes the communities of Anvik, Grayling, Kaltag, Nulato, and Koyukuk):

Subsistence salmon fishing is currently open on a 5-day per week fishing schedule from 6 p.m. Tuesdays until 6 p.m. Sundays with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets, fish wheels, and dip nets.

Effective 6 p.m. Sunday, August 4, subsistence fishing will be open 24 hours per day, seven days per week with the same gear.

Subdistricts 4-B and 4-C (from Cone Point upstream to the westernmost edge of Illinois Creek, which includes the communities of Galena and Ruby):

Subsistence salmon fishing is currently open on a 5-day per week fishing schedule from 6 p.m. Sundays until 6 p.m. Fridays with 7.5 inch or smaller mesh gillnets, fish wheels, and dip nets.

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