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Districts 1 and 2 Commercial Fishing Schedule

Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

At this time, a precautionary management approach to the harvest of Chinook salmon will remain in effect as the run abundance of king salmon is being assessed. Commercial summer chum salmon fishing periods with selective gear (dip nets and beach seines) will continue between subsistence fishing periods to allow for commercial harvest of summer chum, while releasing all Chinook salmon.

District 1 (including Black River) Commercial: As a reminder, commercial fishing is currently open until noon Tuesday, June 19.

Commercial fishing will open for 58-hours with dip nets and beach seine gear:

- from **12:01 a.m. Wednesday, June 20** until **10 a.m. Friday, June 22**

District 2 Commercial: As a reminder, commercial fishing will open for two previously announced 12-hour periods from Noon to Midnight on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 19 and 20.

Commercial fishing will open for three 12-hour periods with dip nets and beach seines:

- **Noon to Midnight, Friday, June 22**
- **Noon to Midnight, Saturday, June 23**
- **Noon to Midnight, Sunday, June 24**

Fishermen must confirm they have a buyer prior to fishing.

All Chinook salmon must be released alive immediately and recorded on a fish ticket.

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