



## Advisory Announcement

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### 2020 Yukon River Salmon Summer Fishery Announcement #21

#### District 6 Subsistence and Personal Use Fishing Schedule

Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area

The current counts of Chinook salmon at Pilot Station sonar now indicate the run size is projected to meet escapement goals and support some harvest. To provide opportunity for summer chum salmon and limited Chinook salmon harvest, fishing is being reopened with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets on a reduced regulatory schedule.

The restrictions on 4-inch or smaller mesh gillnets are also rescinded effective 10 p.m. Monday, June 29. During subsistence fishing closures, fishermen may use 4-inch or smaller mesh gillnets to target non-salmon. The 60-foot maximum length restriction is removed.

#### Subsistence Management Actions

**Subdistricts 6-A and 6-B** (from the mouth of the Tanana River upstream to the Wood River, including Manley, Minto, and Nenana):

Subsistence fishing is currently closed.

**Effective 6 p.m. Friday, July 3, subsistence fishing will open with gillnets restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh and fish wheels on a schedule of two 24-hour periods per week from:**

**6 p.m. Fridays to 6 p.m. Saturdays**

**6 p.m. Mondays to 6 p.m. Tuesdays**

#### **Kantishna River:**

Subsistence fishing is open 24 hours a day, seven days per week with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets and fish wheels.

#### **Old Minto Area:**

Subsistence fishing is currently closed.

**Effective 6 p.m. Friday, July 3, fishing will open with gillnets restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh and fish wheels on a 5-day per week schedule from:**

**6 p.m. Fridays to 6 p.m. Wednesdays**

**Upper Tanana Area** (the Tanana River from the confluence with the mouth of Volkmar River on the north bank and the mouth of the Johnson River on the south bank upstream to the Tanana River headwaters):

Subsistence fishing is open 24 hours a day, seven days per week with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets and fish wheels.

### **Personal Use Fishing**

**Subdistrict 6-C Salmon** (Personal use fishery from the regulatory marker at the mouth of the Wood River upstream to the downstream mouth of the Salcha River, which includes the communities of Fairbanks, North Pole, and Salcha):

**Effective 6 p.m. Friday, July 3, Personal Use fishing will open with gillnets restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh and fish wheels on a schedule of two 24-hour periods per week from:**

**6 p.m. Fridays to 6 p.m. Saturdays**

**6 p.m. Mondays to 6 p.m. Tuesdays**

### **Subdistrict 6-C Whitefish and Sucker Personal Use Fishing**

Fishing for whitefish and suckers in this area remains open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, subject to permit stipulations.

In the Tanana River up to the Wood River (Subdistrict 6-A and 6-B), and in the Upper Tanana River Area, a subsistence permit is required for salmon fishing. A personal use permit is required to fish for salmon and other species from the mouth of the Wood River upstream to the mouth of the Salcha River (Subdistrict 6-C). Fishermen may only use set gillnets and fish wheels in the Personal Use salmon fishery.

A subsistence permit is required for northern pike in the Tolovana River drainage, including Minto Flats.

Subsistence harvest calendars and subsistence fishing permits are available from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game Fairbanks office (459-7274) or online at [www.adfg.alaska.gov/store/](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/store/).



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### **COVID-19**

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