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2019 Yukon River Salmon Fishery News Release # 22 District 5 Subsistence Fishing Schedule

Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area

So far, the 2019 Chinook run appears similar to the 2018 run size. Similar to 2018, harvest on Chinook runs of this size needs to be restricted in order to meet escapement goals and harvest share objectives. Like last year, fishing is reduced to half the regulatory (windows) fishing schedule, and gillnets are being restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh to allow fish to pass upriver.

Subsistence Management Actions

Subdistricts 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C (Tanana and Rampart): Subsistence fishing is on a reduced regulatory schedule consisting of two 24-hour periods per week with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets from:

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

Subdistrict 5-D Lower and Middle (from an ADF&G regulatory marker two miles downstream of Waldron Creek upstream to 22 Mile Slough, including the Porcupine River, other adjacent tributaries, and communities of Stevens Village, Beaver, Venetie, Chalkyitsik, and Fort Yukon):

Subsistence fishing is currently open.

Effective 10 p.m. Monday, July 8 fishing will close.

Effective 10 a.m. Friday, July 12, fishing will reopen on a reduced regulatory schedule of one 84-hour opening per week with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets from:

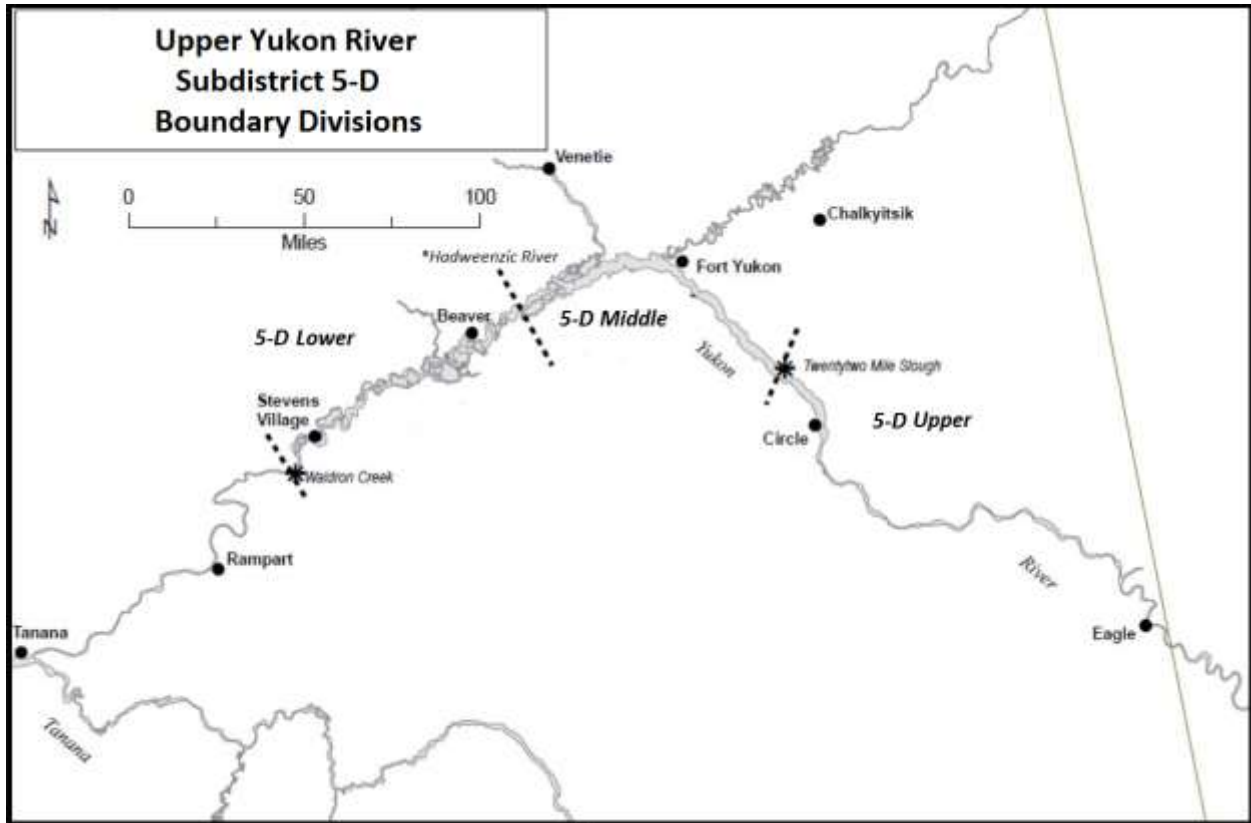
- **10 a.m. Fridays to 10 p.m. Mondays**

Subdistrict 5-D Upper (from 22 Mile Slough to the U.S./Canada border, including adjacent tributaries, and communities of Circle and Eagle):

Subsistence fishing is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets and fish wheels. Fishermen in 5-D Upper should anticipate similar fishing time reductions.

Set gillnets, dip nets, and fish wheels are allowed in District 5. During subsistence salmon fishing closures, fishing for non-salmon species is allowed. However, gillnets must have 4-inch or smaller mesh.

A subsistence fishing permit is required to fish for all species from the western most 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).



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