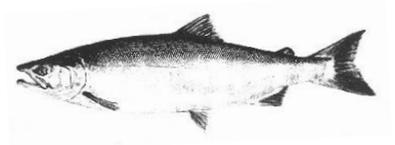


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**2016 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 25  
Yukon River District 6 Commercial Schedule**

Districts Affected: Upper Yukon Area  
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The 2016 fall chum salmon preseason run projection, based on the summer chum to fall chum salmon relationship, is for a run size between 800,000 and 900,000 fish. This level of abundance should be sufficient to provide for escapement, an above average subsistence harvest, and a surplus available for commercial and personal use purposes.

**District 6 Commercial Schedule:**

Commercial salmon fishing in District 6 of the Tanana River is currently open for two 42-hour periods from 6:00 p.m. Fridays until 12:00 noon Sundays, and from 6:00 p.m. Mondays until 12:00 noon Wednesdays. Commercial fishermen may use 7.5-inch or smaller mesh size set gillnets or fish wheels.

Effective 6:00 p.m., Friday, August 12, gillnets will be restricted to a mesh size of 6 inches or less. The commercial schedule will remain in effect until further notice.

**Commercial fishermen must confirm their market prior to commercial fishing.** All salmon harvested during commercial fishing operations must be recorded on a fish ticket at the time of sale. All fish species harvested and not sold must be recorded on the fish ticket as "caught but not sold". Processors, catcher sellers, or direct marketers must notify the department of their intent to operate by contacting the Fairbanks office at 459-7274.

These commercial fishing periods do not affect the current subsistence and personal use fishing schedules.

Recorded fishery announcements and updates are available 24 hours a day at **1-866-479-7387** or in Fairbanks call **459-7387**. If you have any questions regarding this report, please call the Fairbanks ADF&G office at 459-7274.

This has been an announcement by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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