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## 2018 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 47 District 1 Commercial Period 15 and Subsistence Schedule

Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

### **District 1 Commercial Fishing:**

Commercial fishing will open for one period in the <u>Set Net Only Area</u> of District 1 on Wednesday, August 29 from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. This will be a 7-hour commercial fishing period for the <u>Set Net Only Area</u> with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets. The remainder of District 1 will be open to commercial fishing on Wednesday, August 29 from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. This will be a 5-hour commercial fishing period with 6-inch or smaller mesh gillnets.

#### Pastolik and Pastoliak Rivers:

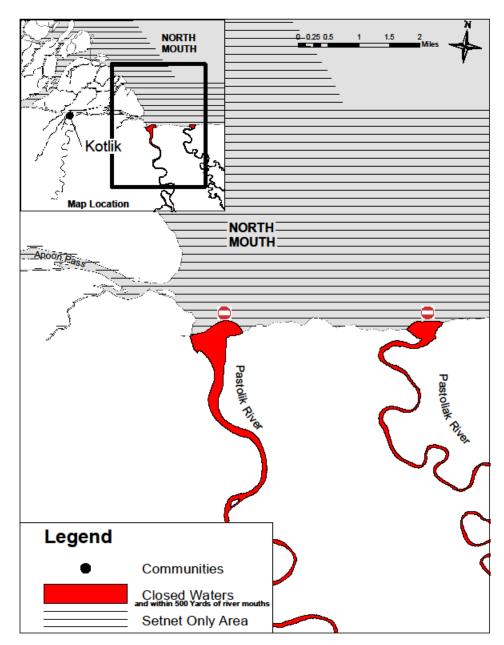
The Pastolik and Pastoliak rivers near Apoon Pass, including 500 yards around their mouths, are closed to commercial fishing, (see map below). Also, subsistence fishing with gillnets is closed in these waters, including gillnets with 4-inch mesh or less, for closures before, during, and after each commercial opening.

#### **District 1 Subsistence Fishing:**

Subsistence salmon fishing in District 1 is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week with gillnets restricted to a maximum mesh size of 7.5 inches, except for closures before, during, and after each commercial fishing period. For this commercial opening, subsistence salmon fishing in District 1, including the Pastolik and Pastoliak Rivers, will close at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 29, and reopen at 8:00 a.m. Thursday, August 30.

Preliminary reports from the District 1 commercial opening on August 27 indicate a harvest of 35,224 fall chum salmon and 14,613 coho salmon from 230 permit holders. The preliminary cumulative commercial harvest for District 1 is 178,455 fall chum salmon and 50,797 coho salmon.

This is an announcement by the ADF&G in consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



Map showing location of Pastolik and Pastoliak Rivers closed to commercial fishing. -end-