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2017 Yukon River Fall Salmon Fishery News Release # 6 District 2 Commercial Period 1 Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area Fall Season Emergency Order # 6

District 2 Commercial Fishing:

Commercial fishing will be open for one period in District 2, from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Friday, July 21. This will be a 4-hour commercial fishing period with gillnets restricted to 6-inch or smaller mesh size.

The sale of Chinook salmon is prohibited. Commercial gillnet fishermen can release live Chinook salmon or use them for subsistence purposes. Chinook salmon retained from commercial gillnet gear must be recorded on a fish ticket as retained but not sold.

District 2 Subsistence Fishing Schedule:

Subsistence salmon fishing in District 2 is open during the fall season 7 days per week, 24 hours per day with gillnets restricted to a maximum mesh size of 7.5 inches, except for 12 hours before, during, and 12 hours after commercial fishing periods. For this short notice commercial period, subsistence fishing will close at 3:00 p.m. Friday, July 21, and reopen at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 22. Fishermen may use 4-inch or smaller mesh size gillnets to target non-salmon species during subsistence salmon closures.

Recorded fishery announcements and updates will be available 24 hours a day, toll free at 1-866-479-7387. If you have any questions regarding this report, please call the Emmonak ADF&G office at 949-1320 or the Fairbanks office at 459-7274. The Emmonak ADF&G office will stand by on VHF channel 7A.

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