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**2012 Yukon River Summer Salmon Fishery News Release # 5
Summer Announcement # 4, 2012 Lower Yukon Subsistence Fishing Schedule**
Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

Subsistence salmon fishing in Yukon River Districts 1, 2, and 3 is currently open seven days a week until the regulatory fishing schedule becomes effective. Once effective, subsistence salmon fishing will consist of two 36-hour periods each week.

District 1: Subsistence salmon fishing will close at 8:00 am Saturday, June 2 and then open for two 36-hour periods per week from 8:00 p.m. Mondays until 8:00 a.m. Wednesdays and from 8:00 p.m. Thursdays until 8:00 a.m. Saturdays.

District 2: Subsistence salmon fishing will close at 8:00 am Tuesday, June 5 and then open for two 36-hour periods per week from 8:00 p.m. Wednesdays until 8:00 a.m. Fridays and 8:00 p.m. Sundays until 8:00 a.m. Tuesdays.

District 3: Subsistence salmon fishing will close at 8:00 am Friday, June 8 and then open for two 36-hour periods per week from 8:00 p.m. Sundays until 8:00 a.m. Tuesdays and from 8:00 p.m. Wednesdays until 8:00 a.m. Fridays.

Coastal District: Subsistence salmon fishing is open seven days a week.

Innoko River: Subsistence salmon fishing is open seven days a week.

During the subsistence salmon fishing closures, all gillnets with a mesh size greater than four inches and a length greater than 60 feet must be removed from the water.

Fishermen in Districts 1-6 and the Coastal District may not take salmon using gillnets with mesh size larger than 7.5 inches. Fishermen in these districts may use a mesh size of 7.5 inches or less.

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Emmonak seasonal offices will open for the 2012 season on June 4. Office hours will be Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and closed on Sunday.

Recorded fishery announcements and updates will be available 24 hours a day at 949-1731 or 1-866-479-7387. If you have any questions regarding this report, please call the Emmonak ADF&G office at 949-1320 or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at 949-1798. 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 cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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