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**2008 Yukon River Summer Salmon Fishery News Release # 8**  
**Announcement # 5, 2008 Lower Yukon Subsistence Fishing Schedule**  
Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

The Lower Yukon test fishery project became fully operational on June 4. The cumulative CPUE through June 13 is 1.68 which is below the 1989-2007 average of 5.18 for this date.

The Pilot Station sonar project became fully operational June 5. The preliminary Pilot Station sonar passage estimate through June 13 is 6,064 Chinook salmon which is below the average of approximately 18,000 fish for this date. The preliminary sonar passage estimate through June 13 is 13,517 summer chum salmon which is below the average of approximately 48,400 fish for this date.

There are insufficient assessment data available at this time to estimate the run timing for Chinook and summer chum salmon.

The department will continue to make management decisions consistent with the preseason projection, and as more assessment information becomes available, management decisions will increasingly be based on the inseason assessment of the runs.

The subsistence salmon fishing schedule is currently in effect for the lower river districts. This schedule will continue until the run size is projected to be of sufficient strength to warrant discontinuing the schedule. This schedule is subject to change depending on run strength.

**District Y-1:** Subsistence salmon fishing is open 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 Y-2:** Subsistence salmon fishing is open from 8:00 p.m. Wednesdays until 8:00 a.m. Fridays and from 8:00 p.m. Sundays until 8:00 a.m. Tuesdays.

**District Y-3:** Subsistence salmon fishing is open from 8:00 a.m. Fridays until 8:00 p.m. Saturdays and from 8:00 a.m. Tuesdays until 8:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Coastal District and the Innoko River:** Subsistence salmon fishing is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

**Reminder:** During the subsistence salmon fishing closures, all gillnets with a mesh size greater than four inches must be removed from the water.

Fishers are encouraged to consult the State of Alaska commercial and subsistence fishing regulations and the federal subsistence fishing regulations before fishing in the Yukon Area.

For recorded fishery announcements and updates call 949-1731, 24 hours a day. 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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## 2008 Lower Yukon River Regulatory Subsistence Salmon Fishing Schedule

Please Note: this schedule is subject to change depending on run strength.

**District Y-1** subsistence salmon fishing schedule for the week of June 14 through June 20 is as follows:

Saturday June 14	Sunday June 15	Monday June 16	Tuesday June 17	Wednesday June 18	Thursday June 19	Friday June 20
8:00 a.m. Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closes	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closed	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Opens at 8 p.m.	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Open	8:00 a.m. Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closes	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Opens at 8 p.m.	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Open

**District Y-2** subsistence salmon fishing schedule for the week of June 14 through June 20 is as follows:

Saturday June 14	Sunday June 15	Monday June 16	Tuesday June 17	Wednesday June 18	Thursday June 19	Friday June 20
Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closed	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Opens at 8 p.m.	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Open	8:00 a.m. Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closes	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Opens at 8 p.m.	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Open	8:00 a.m. Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closes

**District Y-3** subsistence fishing salmon schedule for the week of June 14 through June 20 is as follows:

Saturday June 14	Sunday June 15	Monday June 16	Tuesday June 17	Wednesday June 18	Thursday June 19	Friday June 20
Subsistence Salmon Fishing closes at 8 p.m.	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closed	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closed	8:00 a.m. Subsistence Salmon Fishing Open	Subsistence Salmon Fishing closes at 8 p.m.	Subsistence Salmon Fishing Closed	8:00 a.m. Subsistence Salmon Fishing Open

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