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2026 Yukon River Salmon Fall Fishery Announcement #21 **Subdistricts 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C Subsistence Fishery** **Emergency Order Number 3-S-FY-09-26**

At this time, the fall chum salmon migration is nearing completion and subsistence fishing restrictions are being removed based on fall chum salmon travel time. Current projections indicate that the fall chum salmon run is likely to meet all Alaskan escapement goals and could meet the Canada treaty objectives. However, the Canadian-origin projections do not include a large enough harvestable surplus for directed fishing on those stocks at this time. Assessment of the Canadian-origin contribution to the overall run is ongoing. Restrictions are being removed after the vast majority of Canadian-origin fall chum salmon have passed each fishing district.

Subsistence Management Actions

Subdistricts 5-A and 5-B (Tanana):

Effective **8:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 16**, subsistence fishing for salmon and nonsalmon will be open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets and all other legal subsistence fishing gear. All fish caught may be retained. Gillnet lengths will no longer be restricted to 60 feet.

Subdistrict 5-C (Rampart):

Effective **8:00 a.m. Sunday, September 20**, subsistence fishing for salmon and nonsalmon will be open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week with 7.5-inch or smaller mesh gillnets and all other legal subsistence fishing gear. All fish caught may be retained. Gillnet lengths will no longer be restricted to 60 feet.

A subsistence permit is required to fish for all species in Subdistrict 5-C from the western-most tip of Garnet Island upstream to the ADF&G regulatory marker two miles downstream of Waldron Creek (Dalton Highway bridge area). Permits are available at www.adfg.alaska.gov/store. If you are outside the permit area, contact the Fairbanks office at 907-459-7274 for a subsistence harvest calendar.

Federal Special Action

ADF&G and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) have coordinated on this advisory announcement. The USFWS Federal Inseason Manager has issued a separate Federal Special Action 03-FC-14-26 with the same dates these restrictions will be lifted. To reach the USFWS Yukon River Subsistence Fishery Manager, call Holly Carroll at 907-351-3029 or Assistant Manager, Keith Herron; keith_herron@fws.gov, (907) 334-5391.

This is an announcement by the ADF&G in cooperation with the USFWS.

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