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Kuskokwim River Mainstem Fishing Opportunities

Pursuant to authority delegated by the Federal Subsistence Board, the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge Manager, as In-Season Manager, hereby announces two additional fishing opportunities for **Federally qualified subsistence users only**:

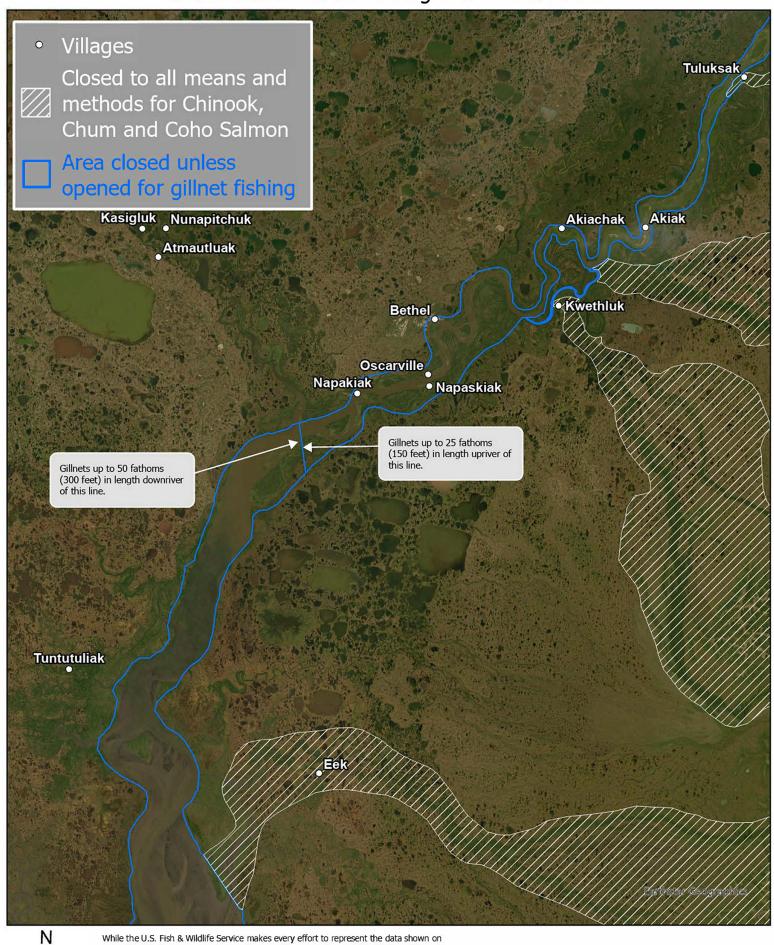
- (1) Lower Kuskokwim Set Net Fishing Opportunities: In the Kuskokwim River main stem, downstream of the Kalskag Bluffs and Uknavik Slough (Kalskag Line) to the mouth of the Kuskokwim River at the Refuge Boundary (see maps), **set gillnets** will be allowed effective:
 - July 1, 2024 from 12:00 (noon) pm to July 2, 2024 12:00 (noon) pm (24 hours)
 - July 6, 2024 from 12:00 (noon) pm to July 8, 2024 12:00 (noon) pm (48 hours)
- (2) **Set gillnets** are restricted to 6-inch or less mesh, may not exceed 45 meshes in depth, and 75 feet in length. All species of salmon may be retained during this opportunity. The salmon bearing tributaries and the Aniak Box listed in FSA-YD-24- 01 will remain closed to all gillnets. When these harvest opportunities expire, Federal public waters of the Kuskokwim River, downstream of the Kalskag Bluffs and Uknavik Slough (Kalskag Line) to the mouth of the Kuskokwim River at the Refuge Boundary (see maps), will return to closed to the use of gillnets by all users for the protection of Chinook, Chum and Coho Salmon.

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Lower River Gillnet Fishing and Closure Area

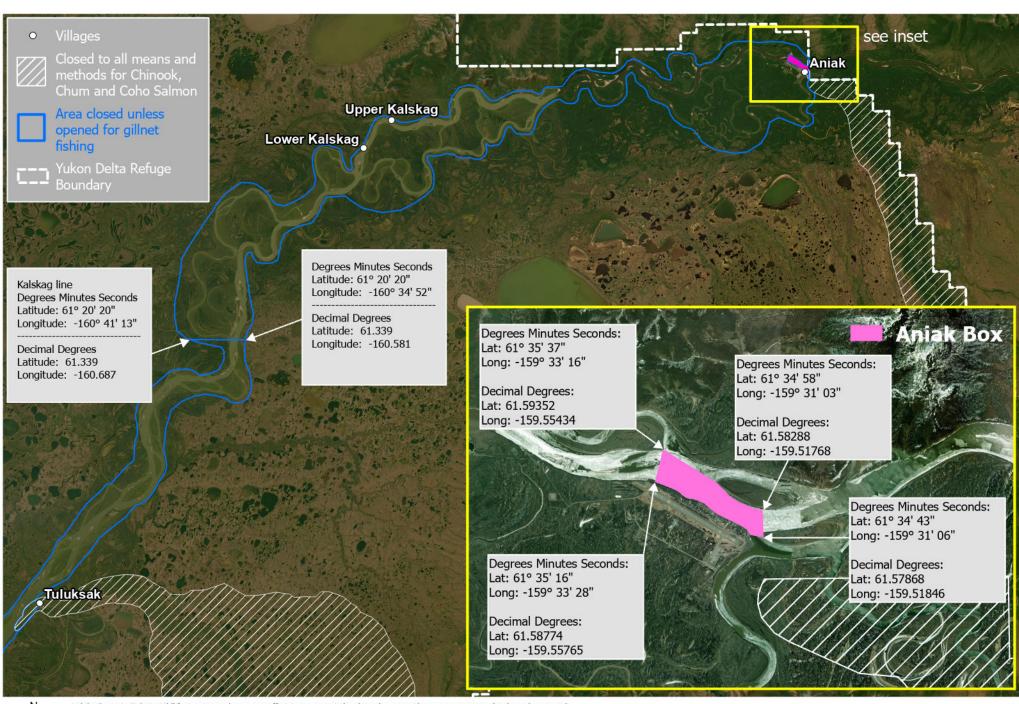




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Middle River Gillnet Fishing and Closure Area





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