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UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT No. 3 **EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 2-F-H-03-26**

Commercial fishing with set gillnets in the Kustatan and Kalgin Island subdistricts (Big River Fishery) will be closed from 7:00 a.m., Monday, June 1, until 7:00 a.m., Friday, June 12, 2026, unless modified by subsequent emergency order.

Due to forecasted poor king salmon returns, restrictions to subsistence fishing, and recent year returns not meeting escapement goals in Northern Cook Inlet streams, early season closure in the Big River fishery is warranted.