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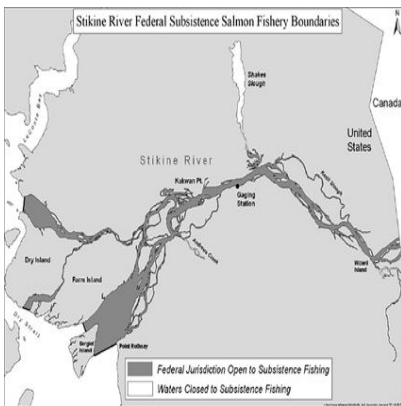
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Stikine king salmon subsistence fishery to be closed



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USDA chart

This map indicates the waters managed by the federal government along the Stikine River. Though the darkened sections are ordinarily opened to subsistence fisheries, this year Chinook salmon will not be available to users from May 15 through June 20.

The Federal Subsistence Board announced on Monday it will be closing its Chinook salmon subsistence fishery in the Stikine River this year due to low expected returns.

Under the authority delegated him by the board, Ranger Bob Dalrymple of Wrangell's Forest Service district made the decision to close down the fishery. Preseason forecasts made by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game informed the decision, with 6,900 king salmon greater than 28 inches in length expected to return. Management escapement goals range from 14,000 to 28,000 such fish, making 2018 expectations about half the lowe...

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