

2025 CHINOOK SALMON FISHERY PROPOSAL FOR THE SOUTH FORK SALMON RIVER

JUNE 13, 2025 IDFG COMMISSION MEETING

I. SEASONS – SUMMER CHINOOK SALMON

A. Opening Dates

The following area opens to Chinook Salmon fishing on June 19, 2025:

South Fork Salmon River – from the posted boundary 50 yards downstream of the Jakie Creek Bridge near Reed Ranch Landing Strip upstream approximately 23 miles to the posted boundary approximately 100 yards downstream from the Idaho Fish and Game South Fork Salmon River weir and trap.

B. Closing Dates

Areas will be closed by Closure Order signed by the Director of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, or on August 10, 2025, whichever comes first.

C. Fishing Days

Fishing for Chinook Salmon in the South Fork Salmon River will be open seven days per week.

D. Fishing Hours

Fishing for Chinook Salmon in the South Fork Salmon River is permitted from 5:30 AM to 10:00 PM Mountain Daylight time.

II. LIMITS

A. Daily and Possession Limits:

- **Daily** = Four (4) Chinook Salmon, only one (1) of which may be an adult.
- **Possession** = Twelve (12) Chinook Salmon, only three (3) of which may be adults.

B. Other rules:

Anglers must cease fishing for all Chinook Salmon (including jacks) once they have retained their daily, possession or season limit of adult Chinook Salmon or their overall daily, possession, or season limit of Chinook Salmon of any size, whichever comes first.

C. Season Limit, statewide

No person may take more than twenty (20) adult Chinook Salmon statewide during 2025 salmon seasons occurring prior to August 10, 2025 (set through June Commission Action).

D. Definitions pertaining to limits

- Adult Chinook Salmon are defined as any Chinook Salmon greater than or equal to 24 inches in length.
- Jack Chinook Salmon are defined as any Chinook Salmon less than 24 inches in length.

III. LIMITS PERTAINING TO HARVEST OF UNMARKED FISH

- A. Anglers may not retain any Chinook Salmon with an intact adipose fin in the South Fork Salmon River Chinook Salmon fishery.

IV. USE OF BAIT

- A. Fishing with bait for Chinook Salmon is allowed on the South Fork Salmon River.