



Project Updates

1. FRMP 18-450 Changing Regulations, Changing Environment, Changing Practices: A Study of Fish Harvest Practices in Unalaska (Ends December 31, 2021)

Purpose: Produce reliable estimates of the harvest and use of salmon and other nonsalmon fish species used for subsistence in Unalaska.

Next step: In-person household surveys scheduled for the spring of 2020 were postponed in April. To ensure the safety of community members and researchers, a mail survey is being developed to keep research on schedule. Researchers are working closely with the Qawalangin Tribe to design the survey and create a rigorous outreach plan to achieve the highest response rate possible. Participant observation and key informant interviews will take place at a later date when it is safe to do so.



2. FRMP 18-451 Subsistence Harvest Trends of Salmon and Nonsalmon Fish in Four Southern Kodiak Island Communities, with a Focus on Olga and Akalura Lakes (Ends December 31, 2020)

Purpose: (1) Provide reliable harvest estimates of the use of salmon and other nonsalmon fish species for subsistence, and (2) Document information about lake rearing habitats of sockeye salmon stocks in southwest Kodiak Island and assessment of declines in salmon stocks associated with subsistence harvest opportunities.

Next step: Due to ongoing health and safety considerations, remote data review meetings are being coordinated in Larsen Bay, Akhiok, and Old Harbor. A written report will then be completed with an anticipated final publication in December 2020. Results of this project may be shared at the Kodiak Marine Science Symposium if it occurs in spring 2021.



3. FRMP 2020-450 Proposal: Subsistence harvest trends of salmon and nonsalmon fish in Kodiak City and road-connected areas (Ends June 30, 2023)

Purpose: (1) Provide reliable harvest estimates of the use of salmon and other nonsalmon fish species for subsistence, and (2) Document local observations of change in fish populations and associated effects on subsistence uses for the Kodiak Road System.

Next step: At this time, the project remains on schedule. Surveys are planned to be conducted in 2021, pending COVID-19 developments. The Division will work closely with the Sun'aq Tribe, Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, and City of Kodiak to determine the best plan of action.



For more information or concerns about subsistence:

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2. Visit the Community Subsistence Information System: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/sb/CSIS/>
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