

U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Kenai National Wildlife Refuge PO Box 2139 Soldotna, AK 99669



U.S. Forest Service Chugach National Forest 161 E. 1st Avenue, Door 8 Anchorage, AK 99501



Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Parks & Outdoor Recreation Kenai/Prince William Sound Area P.O. Box 1247 Soldotna, AK 99669

September 20, 2019

Last section of Kenai River to reopen to boaters

The last section of the Kenai River closed during the Swan Lake fire will reopen for boating on Saturday, September 21, 2019. The southern channel of the Kenai River between River Mile 69.5 and 71.5 had been closed to support firefighting efforts, but recent rain and suppression efforts will allow this section of river to reopen at 12:01 a.m. tomorrow.

All state and federal boat ramps on the Kenai River and Skilak Lake and Skilak Road are now open. However, no campgrounds or trails within or adjacent to the Skilak Wildlife Recreation Area are open.

Although fire danger has decreased over much of the Kenai Peninsula, residents and visitors should remain aware and prepared. For statewide fire information, visit the AICC website at https://fire.ak.blm.gov/ or https://www.akfireinfo.com.

Please direct questions regarding this announcement to:

Kenai Area State Parks (907) 262-5581

Chugach National Forest (907) 743-9500 https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/chugach/alerts-notices

Kenai National Wildlife Refuge (907) 262-7021 Facebook: @KenaiNationalWildlifeRefuge

Twitter: @ChugachForestAK Facebook: @ChugachNF



