

## ACCESS & FACILITIES

### **Boat Launching:**

Pay attendant or fill out pay envelope (located at top of ramp) and deposit fee into collection box while waiting in line. Display receipt on vehicle mirror. During peak fishing periods, vehicular traffic may become backed up and wait time can exceed four hours or more.

Load gear into your vessel before you reach the ramp so that you can get in and out as quickly as possible. Do not block ramp or leave boat unattended on the launch ramp floats at any time. Unattended boats will be impounded.

### **Boat Retrieval:**

A companion can be dropped off at the ramp floats to get a trailer. Do not tie up at the concrete dock floats since these floats are for business use only. Do not cut in line when retrieving your boat – go to the back of the line.

### **Vehicle Parking:**

Park only in designated spots. Once the parking lot becomes full, boats only will only be allowed to launch when a space opens up. Handicap parking is available.

### **Miscellaneous:**

- No cleaning fish or cutting tails on any float or on land at the City Dock.
- No overnight camping.
- During commercial fish openings, commercial vessels will temporarily have the right-of-way at the boat ramp.
- When the tide is low, launching is not possible and the line for launching comes to a halt until the tide rises.

### **Restrooms/Dumpsters:**

Restrooms and dumpsters are limited, but are serviced daily. Use the restrooms provided and practice “pack-it-in, pack-it-out” standards as much as possible to keep the beach clean.





## Kenai River No Wake Zone

The City of Kenai implements a No Wake Zone for the areas immediately surrounding the Kenai City Dock and the southeastern area of the Kenai River between river miles 3 and 5. These areas have been clearly marked with red buoys. In addition, orange and white “Slow No Wake” buoys have been placed within these areas to further identify them. The No Wake Zone is in effect 24-hours a day without exception.





## IMPORTANT TIPS

 Cook Inlet water is cold. Tidal influences are severe and many bank areas are muddy. A life jacket and extra clothing are always sound advice. ALWAYS keep watch of children at all times.

 Extreme caution must be exercised while traveling the beach - four-wheel drive trucks or all-terrain vehicles are generally required. The sand is very soft (especially at beach access points) and high tides can be very unforgiving. ALWAYS check the tide table before venturing onto the beach.

 ALWAYS use approved beach access points.

 ALWAYS keep valuables properly secured and protected.

 Familiarize yourself with fishing, motor, and boat regulations affecting the Kenai River Special Management Area and the Dipnet Fishery.

## BRIEF HISTORY

In March 1996, the Board of Fisheries amended the Cook Inlet Personal Use Salmon Management Plan to establish a personal use fishery season for Alaska residents. The dipnet season is currently July 10 through July 31 and requires a personal use fishery permit. Please familiarize yourself with current permit requirements and regulations, which may be found in the fishing regulation booklet published by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) Division of Sport Fish. Permits may be obtained at most local vendors that sell sport fishing licenses.

## ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL IMPACTS

A significant increase in participation of this fishery has caused environmental and social impacts, including litter problems, trespassing on private property, destruction of vegetated areas, fish waste on the beach, fire safety issues, and life safety issues. The City of Kenai, ADF&G's Sport Fishing Division, the Alaska Department of Public Safety's Alaska Wildlife Troopers, Kenai River Sport Fishing Association, Inc. (KRSA), and the Kenai Peninsula Borough work cooperatively to address these issues.

# Tide Table Kenai River Entrance

Jul-18		HIGH TIDES				LOW TIDES			
		AM	FEET	PM	FEET	AM	FEET	PM	FEET
10	TU	2:08	20.42	3:20	18.33	9:18	-0.60	9:23	3.74
11	WE	3:01	21.76	4:14	19.84	10:09	-2.52	10:16	2.73
12	TH	3:54	23.04	5:03	21.18	10:57	-4.11	11:07	1.74
13	FR	4:44	24.02	5:50	22.19	11:43	-5.15	11:56	0.95
14	SA	5:34	24.49	6:35	22.73	-----	-----	12:29	-5.48
15	SU	6:23	24.30	7:21	22.78	12:44	0.53	1:14	-5.03
16	MO	7:13	23.40	8:06	22.37	1:33	0.55	2:00	-3.85
17	TU	8:04	21.90	8:54	21.60	2:25	0.98	2:47	-2.10
18	WE	8:59	20.04	9:43	20.63	3:19	17:02	3:36	0.00
19	TH	10:00	18.15	10:36	19.66	4:19	12:28	4:29	2.16
20	FR	11:11	16.63	11:34	18.88	5:27	3.13	5:28	4.10
21	SA	-----	-----	12:32	15.86	6:42	3.30	6:34	5.53
22	SU	12:36	18.44	1:51	15.93	7:56	2.96	7:43	6.27
23	MO	1:35	18.40	2:57	16.57	8:58	2.28	8:46	6.36
24	TU	2:29	18.71	3:48	17.42	9:47	1.50	9:38	6.00
25	WE	3:15	19.25	4:29	18.28	10:27	0.73	10:21	5.37
26	TH	3:56	19.89	5:05	19.08	11:01	0.03	10:59	4.63
27	FR	4:34	20.52	5:37	19.73	11:34	-0.55	11:36	3.93
28	SA	5:09	21.00	6:09	20.18	-----	-----	12:05	-0.95
29	SU	5:45	21.19	6:40	20.38	12:12	8:38	12:37	-1.07
30	MO	6:20	21.02	7:11	20.32	12:47	0:28	1:09	-0.86
31	TU	6:56	20.48	7:43	20.03	1:23	22:04	1:41	-0.29

Launch Ramp Closure Should be expected due to low tides.

## IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Kenai Police Department	283-7879
Kenai Parks & Recreation	283-3692
Kenai City Public Works	283-8236
AK Wildlife Troopers (AWT)	262-4573
AK Dept. of Fish & Game	262-9368
In-Season Sonar Estimates	262-9097
In-Season Sport Fishing Report	262-2737
Kenai Chamber & Visitors Center	283-1991

Download the Dipnet Kenai App to your mobile device for Kenai River Dipnetting information on the go!

## City Dock

*WELCOME to the Kenai River Personal Use Fishery, occurring within the City of Kenai. The following information has been developed to assist you in having a safe and enjoyable experience.*

## MANAGEMENT FEES

Management fees assessed to both camping and parking are used to offset costs associated with maintaining the beach and providing trash removal, restrooms, and enforcement of City of Kenai Municipal Code.

Boat Launch & Parking	Midnight to Midnight	\$35
Day Use Parking	Midnight to Midnight	\$20
Drop Off	Midnight to Midnight	\$10

**Refunds will not be issued for any reason.**

## FEE STATIONS

Fee collection stations are set up and staffed on both the North and South Beach access points. Hang receipt on the mirror of vehicles. If tent camping, place receipt visibly on tent. You may request a duplicate receipt for your tent from the attendant if you purchase overnight parking.

One can expect long lines at times. Please remain patient and follow instructions as given and pay particular attention to signs. For your safety and the safety of others, the Kenai Police Department monitors all fee stations and is in constant contact with attendants. Parking rules, camping rules, and City of Kenai Municipal Code will be enforced. With the exception of the City Dock, all fee collection stations will be open 24-hours a day during the dipnet fishery.

