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I have submitted this RC to pre-empt any claims that the Deep Inlet THA is the only place in Southeast that a driftnetter or seiner can fish profitably in the month of August.

In 2014 the Deep Inlet THA was closed at the beginning of Week 34 for broodstock collection. This is about the same time of year as the closure proposed by CTA under RC 107.

I have combined the preliminary catch statistics from the 2014 Week 34 News Releases with ADFG's 'Estimated Salmon by Harvest by Area price and weight to estimate the ex-value of catches from other districts around Southeast at this time.

Gillnet -Average Catch per Boat

		Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Ex-Vessel Value	Boats
Section	1-B	0	91	91	4,242	152	\$7,626	33
District	6	0	60	209	1,194	75	\$4,568	67
District	8	0	11	105	132	53	\$1,656	19
District	11	0	311	60	22	18	\$4,307	45
District	15	0	187	37	120	25	\$2,809	75

(Based on Tree Pt. Gillnet prices and weights per ADFG 2014 Estimated Salmon Harvest by Fishery Area)

Seine-Average Catch per Boat

		Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Ex-Vessel Value	Boats
District	1	0	70	105	13,953	128	\$15,093	43
District	2	2	204	167	18,519	259	\$21,850	54
District	3	0	30	103	13,333	200	\$14,533	30
District	4	14	2,250	250	12,500	150	\$36,475	40
District	5	1	7	18	17,857	114	\$17,737	7
District	7	1 -	125	163	15,625	100	\$17,337	8
Section	9-B	3	100	375	9,583	333	\$13,760	12
Section	13-A	0	2	50	5,600	100	\$6,124	10
Section	13-B	0	0	4	3,067	307	\$4,743	15

(Note that this covers just the **first of two** similar seine openings for Week 34. Ex-Vessel value based on 'Seine-Southern' prices and weights per ADFG 2014 Estimated Salmon Harvest by Fishery Area)

These simple calculations show that there are adequate alternative areas for a SE driftnetter or seiner to fish should they be unable to fish at Deep Inlet in August. During the coho closure however there are very few alternatives availible to the troll fleet.