



Advisory Announcement
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ANITA BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

The Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) is forecasting total runs of 458,000 summer chum, 7,700 Chinook, and 14,300 coho salmon to the Anita Bay release site in 2024. It is anticipated that 183,200 summer chum, 5,400 Chinook, and 5,700 coho salmon will be available for common property harvest in the Anita Bay Terminal Harvest Area (THA).

The Anita Bay THA will be open continuously to harvest salmon with troll gear from 12:01 a.m., Saturday, June 1, through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, November 10. The Anita Bay THA will be open to harvest salmon with drift gillnet and purse seine gear concurrently from 5:00 a.m., Saturday, June 1, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 12, then on a rotational basis from 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 13, through 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 31, then concurrently from 12:01 a.m., Sunday, September 1, through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, November 10. The Anita Bay THA will close for the season at 11:59 p.m., Sunday, November 10, 2024.

The Anita Bay THA consists of those waters of Anita Bay south and west of a line from the tip of Anita Point at 56°13.68' N lat, 132°22.48' W long to a point on the northern shore at 56°14.26' N lat, 132°23.93' W long.

As described in 5 AAC 33.383(b)(1), from 12:01 a.m., Saturday, June 15, through 11:59 p.m., Wednesday, July 10, waters within 0.25 nautical mile of the northern shoreline of Anita Bay west of a line from 56°12.33' N lat, 132°26.19' W long to 56°12.06' N lat, 132°26.19' W long and east of a line from 56°11.96' N lat, 132°29.57' W long to 56°11.73' N lat, 132°29.36' W long will be open.

Waters closed to commercial salmon fishing within the Anita Bay THA include:

- (1) from 5:00 a.m., Saturday, June 1, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 12, the waters of the Anita Bay THA north and east of a line from 56°12.90' N lat, 132°24.51' W long to 56°12.75' N lat, 132°23.50' W long will be closed to the harvest of salmon with commercial purse seine and drift gillnet gear;
- (2) waters south and west of the waters described in 5 AAC 33.383(b)(1):
 - a. from Saturday, June 15, through Tuesday, June 25, the waters of the Anita Bay THA west of 132°26.19' W long will be closed to the harvest of salmon;
 - b. from Wednesday, June 26, through Monday, July 1, the waters of the Anita Bay THA west of 132°26.98' W long will be closed to the harvest of salmon;
 - c. and from Tuesday, July 2, through Wednesday, July 10, the waters of the Anita Bay THA west of 132°28.00' W long will be closed to the harvest of salmon.

Beginning Thursday, June 13, the following rotation schedules will be in effect through Saturday, August 31, unless changed by a subsequent announcement.

Purse Seine

- From 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 13, to 12:00 noon, Friday, June 14
- From 12:00 noon, Monday, June 17, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, June 18
- From 12:00 noon, Friday, June 21, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, June 22
- From 12:00 noon, Tuesday, June 25, to 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 26

From 12:00 noon, Saturday, June 29, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, June 30
 From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 3, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 4
 From 12:00 noon, Sunday, July 7, to 12:00 noon, Monday, July 8
 From 12:00 noon Thursday, July 11, to 12:00 noon, Friday, July 12
 From 12:00 noon, Monday, July 15, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 16
 From 12:00 noon, Friday, July 19, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, July 20
 From 12:00 noon, Tuesday July 23, to 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 24
 From 12:00 noon, Saturday, July 27, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, July 28
 From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 31, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 1
 From 12:00 noon, Sunday, August 4, to 12:00 noon, Monday, August 5
 From 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 8, to 12:00 noon, Friday, August 9
 From 12:00 noon, Monday, August 12, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 13
 From 12:00 noon, Friday, August 16, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 17
 From 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 20, to 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 21
 From 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 24, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, August 25
 From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 28, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 29

Drift Gillnet

From 12:00 noon, Saturday, June 15, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, June 16
 From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 19, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 20
 From 12:00 noon, Sunday, June 23, to 12:00 noon, Monday, June 24
 From 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 27, to 12:00 noon, Friday, June 28
 From 12:00 noon, Monday, July 1, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 2
 From 12:00 noon, Friday, July 5, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, July 6
 From 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 9, to 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 10
 From 12:00 noon, Saturday, July 13, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, July 14
 From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 17, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 18
 From 12:00 noon, Sunday, July 21, to 12:00 noon, Monday, July 22
 From 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 25, to 12:00 noon, Friday, July 26
 From 12:00 noon, Monday, July 29, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 30
 From 12:00 noon, Friday, August 2, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 3
 From 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 6, to 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 7
 From 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 10, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, August 11
 From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 14, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 15
 From 12:00 noon, Sunday, August 18, to 12:00 noon, Monday, August 19
 From 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 22, to 12:00 noon, Friday, August 23
 From 12:00 noon, Monday, August 26, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 27
 From 12:00 noon, Friday, August 30, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 31

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for Troll Gear: Chinook salmon harvested within the Anita Bay THA that are 28 inches or greater in length may be retained and sold.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for Purse Seine Gear: All Chinook salmon harvested within the Anita Bay THA may be retained and sold.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E0224.

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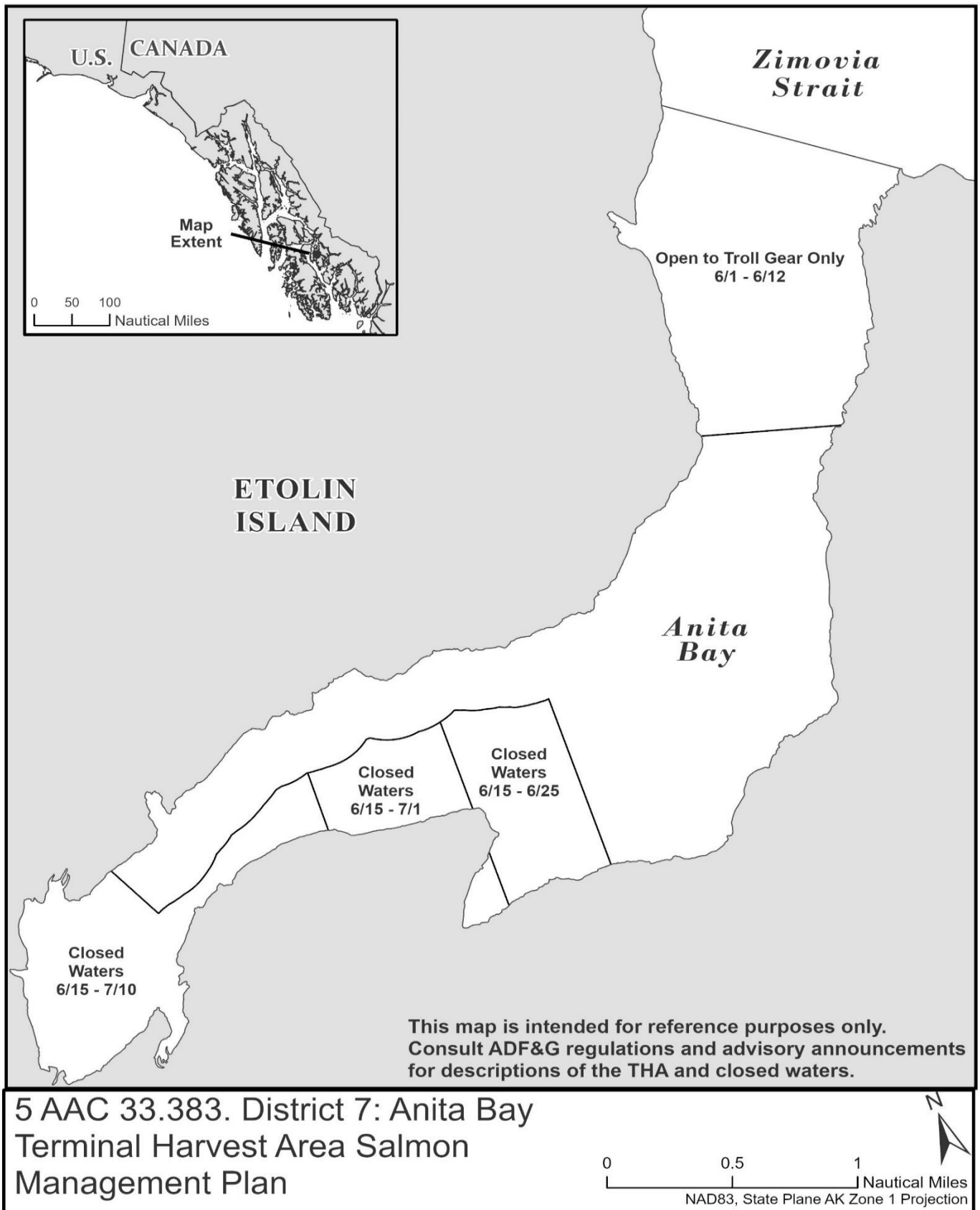


Figure 1. Anita Bay THA