SOUTHERN DISTRICT: hatchery cost recovery: Waters of the south arm of China Poot Bay east of 151° 15.53' west longitude will close to hatchery cost recovery harvest at 10:00 PM this evening (July 12). Waters in the north arm of China Poot Bay east of 151° 14.65' west longitude remain closed, (Figure 1).

To date 3,300 sockeye salmon have been harvested by CIAA for hatchery cost recovery from the China Poot special harvest area (SHA). Appropriate waters in the south arm of China Poot Bay remain open to sport and personal use salmon harvest as described in 5AAC chapter 58 and 5AAC 77.545.

All other areas remain open to commercial salmon harvest as announced in LCI news release #8.

The next scheduled commercial salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be on Friday, July 19.

Announcement recordings are available on the 24-hour telephone recording in the Homer office at 907/235-7307.
Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyarealei.salmon

Figure 1.- China Poot Bay area showing “CLOSED WATERS” portions which are closed to hatchery cost recovery harvest.