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## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

### NEWS RELEASE



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#### NEETS BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA COMMERCIAL TROLL FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information for the Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) concerning the Neets Bay terminal harvest area (THA).

The Neets Bay THA will close to commercial trolling in those waters east of the longitude of Chin Point at 132° 42.10' W. long., at 11:59 p.m., Wednesday, July 17, 2019.

The return of summer chum salmon to the Neets Bay THA is well below expectations at this time. Cost recovery operations have been postponed in Neets Bay in order to ensure broodstock needs are met.

Trollers may continue to fish the waters outside the THA as part of the general summer fishery. Beginning 12:01 a.m., Friday, August 2, the waters of the Neets Bay THA are redefined as the waters east of the easternmost tip of Bug Island and west of the closed waters at the head of the bay.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E1219.

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