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THOMAS BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

Petersburg. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information for concerning salmon fisheries in the Thomas Bay Terminal Harvest Area (THA):

To date, there has been no reported harvest from the Thomas Bay THA. Recently, chum salmon have been observed in Thomas Bay that need to be harvested. Therefore, purse seine and troll will be open concurrently beginning Monday, July 29, 2019.

The Thomas Bay THA are those waters of Thomas Bay northeast of a line from Point Vandeput at 57°00.94' N. lat., 133°00.02' W. long., to Wood Point at 56°59.54' N. lat., 132°56.95' W. long., northwest of a line from a point on the mainland shoreline at 56°59.57' N. lat., 132°54.02' W. long. to Ruth Island at 57°00.42' N. lat., 132°51.07' W. long., north of line from a point on the southeastern shoreline of Ruth Island at 56°58.70' N. lat., 132°49.13' W. long., to the mainland shoreline at 56°58.70' N. lat., 132°47.32' W. long., west of a line from the mainland shoreline at 56°59.38' N. lat., 132°47.60' W. long., to the southern tip of Spray Island at 56°59.80' N. lat., 132°47.73' W. long., to the northern tip of Spray Island at 57°00.07' N. lat., 132°47.80' W. long., to the mainland shoreline at 57°00.56' N. lat., 132°47.57' W. long., and south of a line from 57°03.00' N. lat., 132°49.62' W. long., to 57°03.00' N. lat., 132°52.03' W. long with the following restrictions:

Spurt Cove: waters of Spurt Cove are closed northwest of a line from 57°01.98' N. lat., 132°52.49' W. long., to 57°02.08' N. lat., 132°52.37' W. long.

Thomas Bay Bluffs: waters northeast of a line from the northern tip of Spray Island at 57°00.07' N. lat., 132°47.80' W. long. to a point on the northern boundary line approximately 1.5 nautical mile (nmi) from the mainland shoreline at 57°03.00' N. lat., 132°50.55' W. long., are closed every Saturday and Sunday of each week from 12:01 a.m., Saturday to 11:59 p.m., Sunday.

Troll and purse seine: will be open concurrently from 5:00 a.m., Monday, July 29 through 11:59 p.m., Saturday, August 3, 2019.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for Thomas Bay THA: Chinook salmon harvested in the troll fishery may only be retained during those periods the summer troll fishery is open to retention of Chinook salmon. Chinook salmon harvested in the purse seine fishery 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E1319.

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