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**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**  
**DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES**  
**NEWS RELEASE**



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**SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Petersburg. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2019:**

**Section 1-F: will be open south and east of a line from the southernmost tip of California Head located at 55° 19.58' N. lat., 131° 37.19' W. long., to Spire Island Light at 55° 17.12' N. lat., 131° 37.19' W. long., to the southernmost tip of Gravina Point at 55° 17.12' N. lat., 131° 37.19' W. long., to a point located on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55° 14.91' N. lat., (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point), then due west to the District 2 boundary line with the following restrictions:**

Boca de Quadra: will be closed in all waters enclosed by a line from Quadra Point at 55° 05.15' N. lat., 130° 59.10' W. long., to Slate Island Light at 55° 05.29' N. lat., 131° 03.17' W. long., to Black Rock Light at 55° 01.42' N. lat., 131° 03.59' W. long., then east to a point on the mainland shore at 55° 01.40' N. lat., 131° 00.20' W. long.;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55° 07.74' N. lat.;

Carroll Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of California Head at 55° 19.58' N. lat.;

Thorne Arm: will be closed north and east of a line from the southernmost tip of Moth Point at 55° 15.92' N. lat., 131° 19.69' W. long., to the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55° 14.91' N. lat., 131° 19.04' W. long.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2019:**

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of High Island Light at 55° 24.05' N. lat. with the following restrictions:

Moira Sound: will be closed west of the longitude of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage at 132° 00.35' W. long.;

Cholmondeley Sound: will be closed south of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Chasina Island at 55° 16.32' N. lat.;

Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, Twelve Mile Arm, and contiguous waters: all waters will be closed.

### District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 31, 2019:**

Section 3-A: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Webster Point at 54° 58.28' N. lat. with the following restrictions:

Dall Island Shore: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55° 03.62' N. lat., 132° 58.33' W. long., to Shoe Island Light at 54° 57.10' N. lat., 132° 44.78' W. long., to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54° 43.80' N. lat., 132° 41.83' W. long.;

**Klakas Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of 54° 57.20' N. lat. (the southernmost entrance to Max Cove);**

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point at 132° 31.62' W. long.

**Section 3-C: will be open with the following restrictions:**

**Holbrook Arm, Van Sant Cove, and contiguous waters: will be closed north and west of a line from Limestone Point Light at 56° 56.31' N. lat., 133° 36.96' W. long., to the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point at 56° 0.30' N. lat., 133° 28.64' W. long.;**

Tokeen Bay: all waters will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point at 133° 28.64' W. long.

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Dall Island Shore: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55° 03.62' N. lat., 132° 58.33' W. long., to Shoe Island Light at 54° 57.10' N. lat., 132° 44.78' W. long., to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54° 43.80' N. lat., 132° 41.83' W. long.;

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54° 54.40' N. lat., 132° 24.77' W. long., to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island at 54° 53.25' N. lat., 132° 20.35' W. long., to a point at 54° 49.68' N. lat., 132° 20.50' W. long.;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point at 132° 31.62' W. long.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch at 55° 46.87' N. lat., 133° 42.10' W. long., to the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55° 32.06' N. lat., 133° 27.37' W. long., to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda at 55° 19.10' N. lat., 133° 27.81' W. long.

Section 3-C: will be open west of 133° 20.00' W. long., and east of the longitude of the southernmost tip of Marble Island at 133° 26.89' W. long. with the following restriction:

Token Bay: all waters will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point at 133° 28.64' W. long.

#### District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2019:**

District 4: will be open.

#### District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2019:**

District 5: will be open south of a line from Point Amelius at 56° 11.83' N. lat., 133° 54.35' W. long to the westernmost Barrier Island at 56° 12.76' N. lat., 133° 40.72' W. long then due east to Prince of Wales Island and north of a line from Cape Decision Light at 56° 00.09' N. lat., 134° 08.16' W. long., to Cape Pole at 55° 57.41' N. lat., 133° 48.89' W. long (all waters of Affleck Canal will be open to normal markers).

#### District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 31, 2019:**

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde at 56° 10.43' N. lat.

**The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2019:**

**Section 7-B: will be open north of a line from Ernest Point at 55° 51.01' N. lat., 132° 22.21' W. long. to Union Point at 55° 48.18' N. lat., 132° 11.13' W. long.**

#### District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2019:**

Section 9-B: will be open north of the latitude of **Point Cosmos at 56° 21.17' N. lat.** and south of the latitude of Washington Bay Light at 56°43.11' N. lat. with the following restrictions:

Keku Strait and Port Camden: will be closed;

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56° 39.47' N. lat., 134° 17.26' W. long. to 56° 39.10' N. lat., 134° 16.63' W. long.;

Bay of Pillars: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis at 56° 33.24' N. lat., 134° 19.12' W. long. to Point Ellis Light 56° 34.00' N. lat., 134° 19.99' W. long. to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56° 37.42' N. lat., 134° 16.62' long.;

Gedney Harbor: will be closed north and east of a line from Swaine Point at 56° 25.61' N. lat., 134° 14.84' W. long to Point Cosmos at 56° 21.17' N. lat., 134° 17.58' W. long.

### District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2019:**

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point at 57° 30.20' N. lat., 136° 01.12' W. long., to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island at 57° 38.40' N. lat., 136° 10.89' W. long., to the southernmost tip of Point Hogan at 57° 41.37' N. lat., 136° 15.82' W. long., to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island at 57° 43.67' N. lat., 136° 16.63' W. long., and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point at 57° 37.60' N. lat.;

Ford Arm: will be closed northeast of a line from 57° 34.74' N. lat., 135° 57.08' W. long., to 57° 34.39' N. lat., 135° 56.48' W. long.;

Slocum Arm: will be closed south of 57° 27.95' N. lat.

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: Lisianski Inlet will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point at 58° 06.33' N. lat., 136° 29.86' W. long. to the westernmost tip of Column Point at 58° 07.21' N. lat., 136° 26.88' W. long., and Lisianski Strait will be open north of the latitude of Point Theodore at 57° 50.95' N. lat. with the following restriction:

Lisianski Inlet: will be closed between 57° 54.54' N. lat., and 57° 53.86' N. lat., (near Phonograph Creek) and closed south of 57° 52.20' N. lat.

**Section 13-B: will be open in the following area:**

**Whale Bay: will be open east of 135° 03.00' W. long. with the following restriction:**

**Small Arm and Great Arm: will be closed north of 56° 41.94' N. lat.**

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, August 2, 2019:**

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135° 22.76' W. long.

Normal markers are always in effect unless otherwise stated.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY be retained and sold. Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold.

**Hugh Smith Lake: As of Sunday, July 28, only 521 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 978 sockeye salmon, well below the optimal escapement goal range of 8,000–18,000 sockeye salmon. The department will continue to monitor the sockeye salmon escapement as the season progresses and may take further management action through statistical week 33.**

**The Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) has been conducting broodstock collection since the last seine opening. NSRAA has approximately 43% of their egg take goal achieved. NSRAA currently does not have enough information to determine if an opening in the Hidden Falls THA is warranted but believes they will have enough information by tomorrow afternoon. If an opening is warranted an opening for the Hidden Falls THA will be announced in a separate news release.**

Fishermen and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

The next seine announcement will be issued **on Friday, August 2, 2019.**

Copies of the “2019 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan” may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department’s website at:  
[https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon\\_managementplans](https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans)

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S3919.

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**Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates**  
**Statistical Week 31**  
**Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 29, 2019**

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**NUMBERS OF SALMON**

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<b>Area</b>	<b>Chinook</b>	<b>Sockeye</b>	<b>Coho</b>	<b>Pink</b>	<b>Chum</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Boats</b>
District 1	60	1,250	650	132,000	15,500	149,460	31
District 2	170	2,600	2,900	267,000	35,000	307,670	56
District 3	10	300	200	22,000	450	22,960	4
District 4	1,250	20,500	7,200	575,000	21,000	624,950	46
District 7	150	800	100	105,000	25,000	131,050	30
Section 13-A	10	350	60	27,000	3,100	30,520	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>25,800</b>	<b>11,110</b>	<b>1,128,000</b>	<b>100,050</b>	<b>1,266,610</b>	<b>177</b>

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**FISH PER BOAT**

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<b>Area</b>	<b>Chinook</b>	<b>Sockeye</b>	<b>Coho</b>	<b>Pink</b>	<b>Chum</b>	<b>Total</b>
District 1	2	40	21	4,258	500	4,821
District 2	3	46	52	4,768	625	5,494
District 3	3	75	50	5,500	113	5,740
District 4	27	446	157	12,500	457	13,586
District 7	5	27	3	3,500	833	4,368
Section 13-A	1	35	6	2,700	310	3,052

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 50,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 1,100 Chinook and 15,000 chum salmon.

Thomas Bay THA harvest to date: No reported harvest.

Section 13-B: Insufficient harvest information.

District 5 and Section 9-B: Confidential.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 2,200 Chinook and 281,000 chum salmon.

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