SEINE FISHERIES: This announcement will detail purse seine fishing periods commencing on Tuesday, August 13.

PWSAC began its cost recovery sales program on Tuesday, July 30, and has collected approximately 97% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal through Sunday, August 11. ADF&G sampling of CCH cost recovery harvest from August 11 was 35% female; WNH cost recovery harvest from August 11 was 38% female.

PWSAC recommends the AFK, CCH, and WNH SHAs, THAs, and San Juan Subdistrict, Esther Subdistrict, and Perry Island Subdistrict remain closed in order to build broodstock.

All regulatory closed waters and all anadromous stream closures are in effect unless otherwise stated.

EASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Eastern District, south of a line from Entrance and Potato Point and north of 60º57.00’ N., will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 13.

NORTHERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Northern District, excluding the Perry Island Subdistrict, and the CCH SHA and THA, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 13.

COGHILL DISTRICT: Waters of the Coghill District, excluding Esther Subdistrict, and WNH SHA and THA, will open to commercial drift gillnet and purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 13.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Northwestern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 13.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT: Waters of Southwestern District, south of 60º 25.7’N, excluding waters north of the latitude and west of the longitude of Pt Helen, and excluding the San Juan Subdistrict, and the AFK SHA and THA, will be open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm on Tuesday, August 13. The Southwestern District Priority Stream list will be in effect within waters of the Point Elrington Subdistrict.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Southeastern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 13.
Copies of the updated regulation booklet, 2019–2021 Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations for Prince William Sound, are available in the Cordova ADFG office.

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 13.

Announcement recordings are available for gillnet fisheries at 907-424-7535 and seine fisheries at 907-424-7345. In addition, announcement recordings are available in Anchorage at 267-2843.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address: cwrussell http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareapws.main (Prince William Sound and Copper River homepage).

Unless otherwise specified, all openings are clock openings based on Alaska Daylight Time, which is based on Coordinated Universal Time and may be obtained by calling 303-499-7111.

The department encourages commercial permit holders to renew their licenses early and to check their CFEC vessel registration stickers to make sure they are current.

The department also encourages permit holders to report observed violations to Wildlife Safeguard at 800-478-3377. Reports are anonymous and cash rewards may be paid for successful prosecution of violations.