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SOUTHEAST ALASKA DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Petersburg... The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the opening of the Southeast Alaska drift gillnet fishery, during the times and in the areas listed below, beginning on Sunday, August 18, 2019.

Section 1-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 18, through 12:00 noon, Friday, August 23, 2019**, with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point at 54° 50.03' N. lat.

District 6: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 18, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 22, 2019**, with the following restriction:

Section 6-D: will be closed.

District 8: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 18, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 22, 2019**, with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: waters of Frederick Sound will be closed south and west of a line from a point **1.0 nautical mile (nmi) off the Kupreanof Island shoreline on the District 10 boundary at 56° 57.13' N. lat., 132° 59.05' W. long., to Sukoi Island Light at 56° 53.73' N. lat., 132° 56.64' W. long., to Frederick Point at 56° 47.55' N. lat., 132° 49.27' W. long., and south and east of a line from a point 1.3 nmi north of Bear Creek at 56° 42.93' N. lat., 132° 44.53' W. long., to a point 500 yards north of Jap Creek on the mainland shore at 56° 46.63' N. lat., 132° 37.09' W. long.;**

Stikine River: waters off the Stikine River will be closed northeast of a line from a point east of Blind Slough on Mitkof Island at 56° 31.88' N. lat., 132° 40.66' W. long., to a point on the small island near the eastern entrance of Blind Slough at 56° 31.83' N. lat., 132° 40.17' W. long., to Two Tree Island Light at 56° 29.65' N. lat., 132° 38.06' W. long., to Neal Point Light at 56° 26.92' N. lat., 132° 36.00' W. long., to Ancon Point Light at 56° 24.30' N. lat., 132° 33.32' W. long., to East Point at 56° 22.97' N. lat., 132° 24.28' W. long., to a point on the Wrangell Island shoreline located at the latitude of East Point at 56° 22.97' N. lat., 132° 21.42' W. long.;

Kunk Creek: normal markers.

Section 11-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 18, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 20, 2019**, north of the latitude of Circle Point at 58° 07.76' N. lat.

Section 11-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 18, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 21, 2019, south of the latitude of Circle Point at 58° 07.76' N. lat.**, with the following restrictions:

Limestone Inlet: will be closed east of a line from a point on the north shore at 58° 02.03' N. lat., 133° 59.59' W. long., to a point on the south shore at 58° 01.72' N. lat., 133° 59.43' W. long. (outside markers);

Gilbert Bay: will be closed south and east of a line from Sentinel Point at 57° 59.74' N. lat., 133° 45.62' W. long., to a point on the eastern shoreline at 58° 01.45' N. lat., 133° 45.35' W. long.;

Prospect Creek: will be closed west of a line running southeast from Prospect Point at 58° 02.89' N. lat., 133° 47.80' W. long., to the southernmost tip of Fannie Island at 58° 02.60' N. lat., 133° 47.15' W. long., then running southwest to a point on the western shore at 58° 01.34' N. lat., 133° 48.46' W. long.;

Speel Arm: will be closed north of a line from a point on the western shore at the head of Speel Arm at 58° 07.09' N. lat., 133° 44.11' W. long., to a point on the eastern shore at 58° 07.59' N. lat., 133° 42.80' W. long.

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 18, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 21, 2019**, in the waters south of the latitude of Mud Bay Point at 59° 09.05' N. lat., with the following restrictions:

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.;

Chilkat Inlet: will be closed north of a line from Glacier Point at 59° 06.02' N. lat., 135° 22.97' W. long., to the westernmost tip of Twin Coves at 59° 06.58' N. lat., 135° 21.70' W. long.

Section 15-A: will be open until further notice in the waters of Chilkoot and Lutak inlets north of the latitude of Mud Bay Point at 59° 09.05' N. lat., to a line at the Chilkoot River terminus marked by ADF&G regulatory markers located at 59° 19.06' N. lat., 135° 33.29' W. long., and 59° 19.47' N. lat., 135° 32.59' W. long., with the following restriction:

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C (including the outer waters of the Boat Harbor THA): will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 18, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 21, 2019**, in the waters north of the latitude of Little Island Light at 58° 32.41' N. lat., **with the following restriction:**

William Henry Bay: will be closed south and west of a line from Lance Point at 58° 43.95' N. lat., 135° 13.98' W. long., to a point at the southern entrance of William Henry Bay at 58° 43.10' N. lat., 135° 13.83' W. long.

Boat Harbor THA: inside waters of the Boat Harbor THA west of a regulatory marker at the entrance to Boat Harbor will remain open until further notice.

As a reminder, Berner's Bay is included in Section 15-B which remains closed.

The Golden North Salmon Derby has been cancelled for the August 16-18 period. Therefore, Districts 11 and 15 will open on Sunday, August 18.

The Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery is currently being managed according to the District 1 Pink Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 33.360). The District 1 purse seine fishery is expected to receive at least three days of fishing time during statistical week 34. Therefore, the Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery will be given five days of fishing time.

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 other fish from an opening are delivered.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S5219.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 33 (August 11 through August 17)
Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 15, 2019

NUMBER OF SALMON

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Days Open
District 1	0	1,300	1,000	30,000	10,000	42,300	25	5
District 6	30	2,000	5,300	91,000	10,000	108,330	62	4
District 8	25	150	400	1,300	7,500	9,375	25	4
District 11*	50	7,500	1,100	5,000	1,500	15,150	30	4
District 15	10	24,000	1,000	15,000	6,000	46,010	113	7
Total	115	34,950	8,800	142,300	35,000	221,165		

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	52	40	1,200	400	1,692
District 6	0	32	85	1,468	161	1,747
District 8	1	6	16	52	300	375
District 11*	2	250	37	167	50	505
District 15	0	212	9	133	53	407

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 52,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 3,900 Chinook and 144,000 chum salmon.

* Harvest estimate is for 3 days.

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