Advisory Announcement
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SOUTH EAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SPRING TROLL FISHERY

Sitka . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announced today the following information concerning the commercial spring troll fishery.

SCHEDULE OF SPRING TROLL OPENINGS:

**Ketchikan area:**
- Mountain Point (101-45) June 2–3
- Rock Point (101-46) June 1–2

**Craig area:**
- Bucareli Bay (103-50) June 2–3
- Port Saint Nicholas (103-60) May 31–June 1

**Sitka area:**
- Western Channel (113-01) June 1
- Redoubt Bay (113-30) June 3–4
- Goddard (113-31) June 3
- West Crawfish Inlet (113-32) June 1–2
- Sitka Sound (113-41) May 30–June 3
- Salisbury Sound (113-62) June 4–6

**Yakutat area:**
- Yakutat Bay (183-10) June 1

Weekly troll openings will be announced by advisory announcement each Friday. The Northern Chatham Strait, Point Couverden, Homeshore, Cross Sound, South Passage, and Keku Strait enhanced chum salmon areas will open on June 15; Chinook salmon retention is prohibited. Maps of THA/SHA and spring troll areas and additional details on the fishery are provided in the 2020 Spring Troll Fishery Management Plan, available in area offices and on the ADF&G troll web site at: https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_trollspring.

The following terminal and special harvest areas (THA/SHA) will open at 12:01 a.m., June 1, and will remain open until further notice:
- Port Armstrong SHA (109-11), Hidden Falls THA (112-22), Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33), and Silver Bay THA (113-35).

Additional THA/SHA openings for June are as follows:

Terminal and Special Harvest Area (THA/SHA) openings will occur as follows:

- Carroll Inlet THA (101-48) June 1–30 to troll gear unless closed by emergency order
- Anita Bay THA (107-35) June 1, see troll gear schedule in Anita Bay advisory announcement
- Deep Inlet THA (113-38) June 6, see troll gear schedule in Deep Inlet advisory announcement

*Note: the waters of the Deep Inlet THA will remain open as part of the Sitka Sound spring troll fishery through June 1. On June 2, those waters will function as the THA and future openings for troll will follow the Deep Inlet schedule.*
Fishing time in spring troll areas may be extended based on inseason assessment of coded wire tag data and historic harvest timing information. It is extremely important to segregate fish caught in different fishery areas so that accurate dockside sampling can occur by department personnel. If salmon are harvested in multiple areas, each troller and tender is required to report these catches on separate fish tickets [5 AAC 29.090(k)]. The fishery name and the fishery area number must be reported on all fish tickets.

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The Emergency Orders corresponding with this announcement are 1S0220, 1S0820, 1E0220, 1E0420, 1E0620–1E1020.

Under Alaska’s Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska’s Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: [https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/](https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/)