HERRING BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA TROLL FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

In cooperation with the Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association, the Herring Bay Troll Terminal Harvest Area (THA) is managed to harvest surplus Chinook salmon returning to the Whitman Lake Hatchery and the Carroll Inlet release site. The waters of the THA are being expanded to provide additional opportunity to harvest Chinook salmon returning to these sites. Beginning **12:01 a.m., July 10, through 11:59 p.m., July 31, 2020**, the Herring Bay Troll THA will expand to include the following:

Herring Bay Troll THA (101-40): those waters of Revillagigedo Channel north and west of a line from the easternmost tip of Carroll Point across to Spire Island Light on the eastern shore of Annette Island, **Carroll Inlet south of the latitude 55°24.27’ N lat**, George Inlet south of 55°20.80’ N lat, and south of a line from a point located on the southeastern shore of Gravina Island at 55°17.65’ N lat, 131°37.03’ W long, to a point on the southwest shore of Tongass Narrows at 55°18.63’ N lat, 131°35.20’ W long, and east of a line from the southernmost tip of Gravina Point located on the southeast shore of Gravina Island to the northernmost tip of Walden Point located on the northeast tip of Annette Island.

From **12:01 a.m., August 1, through 11:59 p.m. August 30**, the THA expansion is rescinded, and the waters open to troll gear in the Carroll Inlet portion of the THA revert to the **latitude of the southernmost tip of California Head**.

The Herring Bay Troll THA is open to troll gear for retention of all salmon species through August 30, unless closed earlier by emergency order. Once the opening period for the THA has expired, trollers may continue to retain coho, chum, sockeye, and pink salmon in these waters as part of the general summer troll season, with Chinook salmon retention only allowed during specified summer troll Chinook salmon retention periods.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is 1E1220.

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)