



Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Section 1-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 23, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 27, 2020**, 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 23, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 25, 2020**, with the following restriction:

Section 6-D: will be closed.

District 8: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 23, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 25, 2020**, with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: will be closed south and west of a line from a point 1.0 nautical mile 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;

Stikine River: will be closed west of a line from Babbler Point at 56°29.09' N lat, 132°17.37' W long to Hour Point at 56°27.72' N lat, 132°16.79' W long, north of the Wrangell Island shoreline from Hour Point to Point Highfield at 56°29.35' N lat, 132°23.23' W long, north and east of a line from Point Highfield to the southern end of Liesnoi Island at 56°29.83' N lat, 132°29.18' W long to the southern end of Greys Island at 56°30.67' N lat, 132°33.05' W long to the small island near the eastern entrance to Blind Slough at 56°31.83' N lat, 132°40.17' W long to the nearest point of Mitkof Island at 56°31.88' N lat, 132°40.66' W long, and south and east of a line from the prominent point of Mitkof Island nearest Coney Island at 56°40.77' N lat, 132°39.28' W long to the northern end of Coney Island at 56°41.62' N lat, 132°38.92' 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.

Section 11-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 23, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 25, 2020**, 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);

Port Snettisham: will be closed east of a line from Point Styleman at 57°58.42' N lat, 133°53.93' W long to Point Anmer at 57°56.07' N lat, 133°51.05' W long.

Section 15-A: waters north of the latitude of Katzechin River flats light at 59°11.73' N lat will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 23, through 12:00 noon, Friday, August 28, 2020**, with the following restriction:

Lutak Inlet: will be closed northwest of a line **at the Chilkoot River terminus marked by ADF&G regulatory markers from 59°19.06' N lat, 135°33.29' W long to 59°19.47' N lat, 135°32.59' W long.**

Section 15-C: **will be closed.**

Section 15-C: Boat Harbor THA inner waters west of 135°09.57' W long remains open until further notice.

The Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery is no longer being managed under the District 1 Pink Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 33.360) and will instead be managed based on the strength of wild fall coho and chum salmon returns.

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.

All Chinook salmon harvested in the commercial drift gillnet fisheries may be retained and sold.

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/>.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S5020.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 34 (August 16 through August 22)
Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 20, 2020

NUMBER OF SALMON

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Days Open
District 1	0	300	800	7,000	4,000	12,100	25	2
District 6	5	500	1,700	14,000	4,400	20,605	34	2
District 8	5	50	600	1,000	3,000	4,655	20	2
District 11	0	1,600	1,600	3,000	400	6,600	30	3
District 15	10	5,000	200	8,000	1,000	14,210	40	4
Total	20	7,450	4,900	33,000	12,800	58,170		

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	12	32	280	160	484
District 6	0	15	50	412	129	606
District 8	0	3	30	50	150	233
District 11	0	53	53	100	13	220
District 15	0	125	5	200	25	355

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 72,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 3,600 Chinook and 158,000 chum salmon.

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