Division of Commercial Fisheries Sam Rabung, Director

Sitka Area Office 304 Lake Street, Room 103 Sitka, AK 99833



Alaska Department of Fish and Game Doug Vincent-Lang, Commissioner

PO Box 115526 Juneau, AK 99811-5526 www.adfg.alaska.gov

CONTACT: Aaron Dupuis Sitka Area Management Biologist aaron.dupuis@alaska.gov (907) 747-6688

Advisory Announcement

For Immediate Release: August 24, 2020

DEEP INLET TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Hatchery chum salmon broodstock collection in the Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area (THA) was completed Sunday, August 23, 2020. The Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) has requested the department to reopen the Deep Inlet THA to common property troll, drift gillnet, and purse seine common property fisheries.

The following rotation schedule will be in effect through September 26, 2020, unless modified by a subsequent advisory announcement. From 12:01 a.m., Wednesday, August 26, 2020, salmon may be taken in the Deep Inlet THA as follows:

Seine:

• From August 27 through September 26, the purse seine fishery will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, Thursday, and Friday of each week.

Gillnet:

• From August 27 through September 26, the drift gillnet fishery will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of each week.

Troll:

- Trolling will be allowed from 12:01 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. on August 26, 2020
- From August 27 through September 26, the troll fishery will be open from 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 p.m., Saturday of each week and during those periods the net fisheries are closed.

Trollers are reminded that all fish retained within the boundaries of the Deep Inlet THA listed below must be reported as being harvested in statistical area 113-38.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for the Deep Inlet THA</u>: Purse seine and gillnet fishermen must retain all Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA. Chinook salmon of any size harvested by both purse seine and drift gillnet fishermen may be sold. Troll fishermen may only retain and sell Chinook salmon greater than 28 inches.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E1620.

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/

Advisory Announcement web site: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

Office	Ketchikan	Petersburg	Wrangell	Sitka	Juneau	Haines	Yakutat
ADF&G	225-5195	772-3801		747-6688	465-4250	766-2830	784-3255
AWT	225-5111	772-3983	874-3215	747-3254	465-4000	766-2533	784-3220