



**Advisory Announcement**  
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**Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #47**

**SEINE FISHERIES:** Prince William Sound purse seine fisheries will be closed on Tuesday, July 27 to allow for further evaluation of fishery performance data. It is anticipated that there will be a broad area opener in portions of PWS on Wednesday, July 28 with time and area specifics provided tomorrow, July 27.

**This announcement does not impact the previously announced purse seine period in the Coghill District.**

Aerial surveys of all districts are expected to be conducted later this week to assess the strength of wild stock returns throughout PWS. Time and area for future commercial fishing periods targeting wild stocks will be dependent upon escapement, harvest, and effort.

**The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 27.**

**The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 28.**

Announcement recordings are available for **gillnet fisheries at 907-424-7535** and **seine fisheries at 907-424-7345**. In addition, announcement recordings are available in Anchorage at 267-2843.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareapws.main> (Prince William Sound and Copper River homepage).

Unless otherwise specified, all openings are clock openings based on Alaska Daylight Time, which is based on Coordinated Universal Time and may be obtained by calling 303-499-7111.

The department encourages commercial permit holders to renew their licenses early and to check their CFEC vessel registration stickers to make sure they are current.

The department also encourages permit holders to report observed violations to Wildlife Safeguard at 800-478-3377. Reports are anonymous and cash rewards may be paid for successful prosecution of violations.