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## Advisory Announcement

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### **Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #57**

**This announcement supersedes time and area pertaining to the seine fisheries portion in Announcement #56.**

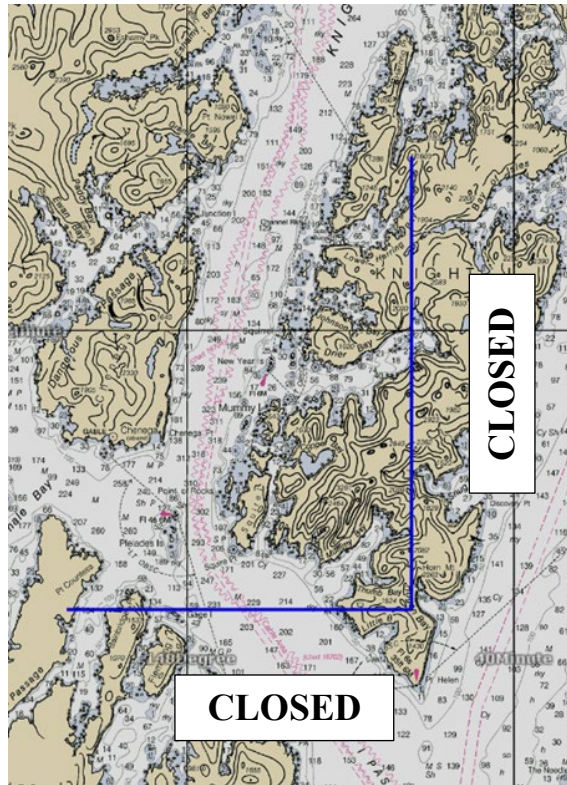
**EASTERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Eastern District, south of a line from Potato Point to Entrance Point, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Friday, August 19.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Perry Island Subdistrict, west of a longitude line at 147° 57.95 W. Long., will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Friday, August 19.

**COGHILL DISTRICT:** Waters of the Coghill District, excluding waters of the WNH SHA and THA, will open to commercial purse seine and drift gillnet harvest for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Friday, August 19.

**NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Northwestern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Friday, August 19.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Southwestern District, north of the latitude of 60°11.50' N., and waters of Knight Island Passage, west of Point Helen (147°46.27' W.), will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm on Friday, August 19.



Copies of the updated regulation booklet, *2022-2024 Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations for Prince William Sound*, are not yet available in the Cordova ADFG office. In the interim, please reference: [2022-2024 Prince William Sound Area Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations \(alaska.gov\)](https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareapws.main)

**ALL buyers purchasing fish in the PWS Management Area are required to complete a Processor Registration Form. Contact the Cordova office for any questions regarding registration.**

**The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm on Friday, August 19. The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm on Saturday, August 20.**

Permit holders are advised that unscheduled announcements based on current escapement data may occur at anytime inseason either establishing an additional period or extending an open period.

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 CopperRiver 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.