



## Advisory Announcement

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### Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #64

**SEINE FISHERIES:** VFDA has recommended a fishing closure in Port Valdez. Broodstock estimates are behind anticipated levels for this date. Dependent on broodstock acquisition, the next potential fishing period targeting surplus coho salmon in Port Valdez will be Friday, September 9 with time and area announced Thursday, September 8.

PWSAC has recommended commercial fishing opportunity targeting surplus pink salmon at AFK on Wednesday, September 7, and again on Thursday, September 8.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the AFK THA and SHA will open to commercial purse seine fishing for two 12-hour periods, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Wednesday, September 7 and from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm on Thursday, September 8. Anadromous stream closures within the AFK SHA and THA will not be in effect during these fishing periods.

**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=commercialbyareaapws.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 p.m. on Thursday, September 8. The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 7.**

Permit holders are advised that unscheduled announcements based on current escapement data may occur at any time 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=commercialbyareaapws.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.