



Advisory Announcement

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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #66

SEINE FISHERIES: VFDA broodstock estimates are behind anticipated levels for this date. Future fishing opportunities targeting surplus coho salmon in Port Valdez will be dependent on broodstock acquisition.

PWSAC has recommended an additional commercial fishing opportunity targeting surplus pink salmon at AFK on Friday, September 9.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the AFK THA and SHA will open to commercial purse seine fishing for an 84-hour period starting at 8:00 am on Friday, September 9. Anadromous stream closures within the AFK SHA and THA will not be in effect during this fishing period.

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 \(alaska.gov\)](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov).

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 gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14.

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=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.