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2023 NAKAT INLET TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

The following information details the Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) Nakat Inlet Terminal Harvest Area (THA) commercial fishing open waters and fishing schedule for the 2023 season.

SSRAA is forecasting total runs of 271,000 summer chum, 18,600 coho, and 73,000 fall chum salmon to the Nakat Inlet THA.

The Nakat Inlet THA **will open** to commercial salmon fishing with drift gillnet and troll gear by regulation from 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 1, through 11:59 p.m., Friday, November 10, 2023, and not close for cost recovery fishing. The Nakat Inlet THA (101-10) consists of those waters north of Surprise Point at 54°49.10' N lat and west of 130°42.75' W long. The 500-yard stream closure regulation under 5 AAC 39.290(a)(2) except as specified for in 5 AAC 29.150 for troll gear will remain in effect in the Nakat Inlet THA.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restriction in the Nakat Inlet THA: Chinook salmon harvested in the troll fishery may only be retained during those periods the summer troll fishery is open to retention of Chinook salmon.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1E0423.

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