



Advisory Announcement
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SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SPRING TROLL FISHERY

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announces the following information concerning the 2023 commercial spring troll fishery.

SCHEDULE OF SPRING TROLL OPENINGS

Ketchikan area

Mountain Point (101-45) June 18–24
Rock Point (101-46) June 18–24

Craig area

Bucareli Bay (103-50) June 18–22
Trocadero Bay (103-60) June 20–23
San Alberto Bay (103-70) June 22–24

Sitka area

Western Channel (113-01) June 19–21
Redoubt Bay (113-30) June 21–23
Goddard (113-31) June 20–22
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32) June 19–21
Sitka Sound (113-41) June 17–22
Salisbury Sound (113-62) June 20–23

Icy Strait/Northern Chatham/Keku Strait hatchery chum salmon areas

Keku Strait (109-42) June 15–30 *closed to Chinook salmon retention*
Cross Sound (114-21) June 15–30 *closed to Chinook salmon retention*
South Passage (114-23) June 15–30 *closed to Chinook salmon retention*
Homeshore (114-25) June 15–30 *closed to Chinook salmon retention*
Point Couverden (114-26) June 19–22 *pink and chum salmon retention only*
Northern Chatham Strait (112-16) June 19–22 *pink and chum salmon retention only*

Yakutat area

Yakutat Bay (183-10) June 22

Weekly troll openings will be announced by advisory announcement each Friday; **open fishing periods may be extended by emergency order based on inseason assessment of coded wire tag data.** Spring troll fishery openings begin at 12:01 a.m. and close at 11:59 p.m. Additional details on the fishery are available in ADF&G area offices and on the ADF&G troll web site at: <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon.trollspring>.

It is extremely important to segregate fish harvested in different fishery areas so that department personnel can collect accurate dockside sampling information. If salmon are harvested in multiple areas during a spring troll fishing trip, the vessel operator is **required to keep fish harvested in each spring fishery separate** from any other fish on board the vessel. Similarly, the fish buyer is **required to create a separate fish ticket for each fishery area** that documents the dates fished, number of salmon, fishery name, and salmon statistical area number for each area fished (5 AAC 29.090[k]). Fish tickets must be submitted to ADF&G within 7 days of landing.

SILVER BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA

The Silver Bay THA (statistical area 113-35) commercial salmon troll fishery **will open for the harvest of king salmon 26 inches and greater from 12:01 a.m., Saturday, June 17 through 11:59 p.m., Friday, June 30, 2023**, unless closed by emergency order. (5 AAC 33.375). Permit holders are advised that they must offload all Chinook salmon under 28 inches taken in the THA prior to fishing in areas where retention of Chinook salmon less than 28 inches is prohibited.

As previously published in the June 7 Silver Bay Terminal Harvest Area (THA) advisory announcement, the waters of Bear Cove, within the Silver Bay THA, are closed.

SCHEDULE OF TERMINAL HARVEST AREA OPENINGS

THA troll openings will occur as follows, unless closed by emergency order. Opening and closing times vary by area, refer to the appropriate THA advisory announcements for fishery details. Chinook salmon retention is prohibited during the month of June in the Nakat Inlet, Kendrick Bay, Southeast Cove, and Thomas Bay THAs; however, Chinook salmon retention is permitted in these THAs during general summer troll Chinook salmon retention periods established under 5 AAC 29.100.

Nakat Inlet THA (101-10)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Carroll Inlet THA (101-48)	June 1–30
Neets Bay THA (101-95)	June 15–until closed by emergency order
Kendrick Bay THA (102-15)	June 15–until closed by emergency order
Port Saint Nicholas THA (103-63)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Anita Bay THA (107-35)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Gunnuk Creek THA (109-40)	June 1–June 30
Southeast Cove THA (109-41)	TBD pending cost recovery results
Thomas Bay THA (110-12)	June 18–until closed by emergency order
Hidden Falls THA (112-22)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Silver Bay THA (113-35)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Deep Inlet THA (113-38)	June 1–until closed by emergency order

The Emergency Orders corresponding to this announcement are EOs 1S0423, 1S1323, 1E0123, 1E0223, 1E0323, 1E0423, 1E0523, 1E0623, 1E0823, 1E0923, 1E1023, 1E1123, 1E1223, and 1E1423.

2023 Spring Chinook Harvest and Effort				
Spring Troll Area	Week of 6/11 (SW 24)		Cumulative	
	Landings	Harvest	Landings	Harvest
Mountain Point (101-45)	26	470	44	654
Rock Point (101-46)	*	*	9	84
Carroll Inlet THA (101-48)	0	0	11	54
Bucareli Bay (103-50)	13	84	70	393
Trocadero Bay (103-60)	7	62	58	396
Port Saint Nicholas (103-63)	CLOSED		46	193
Port Saint Nicholas THA (103-63)	8	98	22	225
San Alberto Bay (103-70)	0	0	86	729
Anita Bay THA (107-35)	*	*	19	171
Western Channel (113-01)	15	239	29	347
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	5	104	97	1,454
Goddard (113-31)	6	101	20	279
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32)	5	73	8	101
Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33)	6	167	20	503
Silver Bay THA (113-35)	*	*	*	*
Deep Inlet THA (113-38)	0	0	*	*
Sitka Sound (113-41)	63	908	276	2,793
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	*	*	42	584
Yakutat Bay (183-10)	0	0	57	319
Totals for Region	161	2,412	923	9,374

*Data are confidential when harvest for fewer than 3 permits is reported

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