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Advisory Announcement

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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #21

SEINE FISHERIES: VFDA began its cost recovery sales program on Monday, July 3, and has collected approximately 29% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal. Pink salmon cost recovery harvest from yesterday, July 8, resulted in an average weight of 3.0 pounds per fish and 13% female. VFDA cost recovery is continuing today.

An aerial survey of the Eastern and Northern Districts was flown yesterday, July 8. Based upon current indices of run entry and escapement, a fishery targeting wild stocks is warranted and the next fishing period will occur on Tuesday, July 11, with time and area announced on Monday, July 10.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT: The AFK Hatchery SHA and THA will open to purse seine fishing for a 36-hour period starting at 8:00 am on Monday, July 10. **Anadromous stream closures within the AFK Hatchery SHA and THA will not be in effect until further notice.** Preliminary harvest estimates from the period ending on Thursday, July 6 were 24,200 chum, 3,900 pink and 1,900 sockeye salmon with 24 deliveries reported.

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Monday, July 10.

The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, July 12.

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 907-267-2843.