



Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2023:**

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.46' N lat, 131°18.87' W long to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point at 55°13.03' N lat, 131°25.18' W long to a point on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55°14.91' N lat, 131°50.40' W long (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point) then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed south of a line from Quadra Point at 55°05.15' N lat, 130°59.10' W long to Slate Island Light at 55°05.29' N lat, 131°03.17' W long, east of a line from Slate Island Light to Black Rock Light at 55°01.42' N lat, 131°03.59' W long, and north of a line from Black Rock Light to a point on the mainland shore at 55°01.40' N lat, 131°00.20' W long;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55°07.74' N lat.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2023:**

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Polk Island at 55°00.73' N lat with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2023:**

Section 3-A: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Webster Point at 54°58.28' N lat with the following restrictions:

Dall Island Shore: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62' N lat, 132°58.33' W long to Shoe Island Light at 54°57.10' N lat, 132°44.78' W long to the westernmost tip of Datkoo Point at 54°43.80' N lat, 132°41.83' W long;

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40' N lat, 132°24.77' W long to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island at 54°53.16' N lat, 132°24.56' W long to a point at 54°49.68' N lat, 132°20.50' W long;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point at 132°31.62' W long.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch at 55°46.87' N lat, 133°42.10' W long to the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55°32.06' N lat, 133°27.37' W long to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda at 55°19.10' N lat, 133°27.81' W long with the following restrictions:

Port Asumcion: will be closed north and west of a line from Point Cosinas at 55°21.80' N lat, 133°30.64' W long to a point west of Point Maria located at 55°22.04' N lat, 133°30.26' W long;

Portillo Channel: will be closed north of a line from the southernmost tip of Point Amargura at 55°27.00' N lat, 133°21.64' W long to Arrecife Point at 55°27.07' N lat, 133°25.75' W long and south of a line from the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55°32.06' N lat, 133°27.37' W long to Point Delgada at 55°30.80' N lat, 133°28.76' W long.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2023:

District 4: will be open.

District 7

District 7: will be closed.

District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2023:

District 10: will be open with the following restrictions:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be closed within 3.0 nautical miles (nmi) of the Admiralty Island shoreline;

Frederick Sound: will be closed east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light at 57°11.12' N lat, 133°34.43' W long to Pinta Point at 57°05.96' N lat, 133°52.82' W long.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2023:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44' N lat, 134°57.50' W long to a point at 58°03.00' N lat, 134°57.85' W long, south of 58°03.00' N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63' N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39' N lat and north of the latitude of Point Marsden at 58°03.40' N lat;

Tenakee Inlet: will be open west of a line from East Point at 57°48.33' N lat, 134°56.92' W long to a point at 57°46.34' N lat, 134°56.07' W long to South Passage Point at 57°45.85' N lat, 134°56.32' W long, and east of the longitude of Corner Bay Point at 135°06.67' W long;

Kelp Bay: will be open west of a line from Point Lull at 57°17.89' N lat, 134°48.82' W long to South Point at 57°16.28' N lat, 134°51.81' W long;

Hidden Falls Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open within approximately 1.0 nmi of the Baranof Island shoreline in the waters of Chatham Strait south of the latitude of South Point at 57°16.28' N lat, north of 57°06.76' N lat, and west of a line from a point offshore at 57°16.28' N lat, 134°49.94' W long to a point offshore at 57°06.76' N lat, 134°45.37' W long with the following restriction:

Kasnyku Bay: will be closed north and west of a line from North Point at 57°13.36' N lat, 134°50.53' W long to the northernmost tip of Round Island at 57°12.68' N lat, 134°50.48' W long to the southernmost tip of Round Island at 57°12.56' N lat, 134°50.51' W long to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°12.48' N lat, 134°50.98' W long.

District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Sunday, July 16, through 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 19, 2023:**

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76' W long.

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2023:**

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point at 58°10.27' N lat;

Section 14-C: **will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline.**

To date, only 65 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 972 sockeye salmon, well below the optimal escapement goal range of 8,000–18,000 sockeye salmon. The department will continue to monitor the sockeye salmon escapement as the season progresses and may take management actions in District 1 through statistical week 33.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls THA may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas (including the Kendrick Bay THA), Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 29, 2023.

When under nonretention of Chinook salmon 28 inches or larger, purse seine fishermen are encouraged to quickly release Chinook salmon in a manner that minimizes mortality. If Chinook salmon greater than 28 inches (large) are retained, the fisherman is in violation and may be issued a citation. Retained large Chinook salmon will be donated, and the fisherman may be subject to the cost associated with processing the fish for donation. On the fish ticket, the number and weight of the fish must be recorded and the disposition code "86-Donated" must be used.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Tuesday, July 18, 2023.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3723.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates
Statistical Midweek 28
Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 14, 2023

NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	7,000	2,000	230,000	140,000	379,000	66
District 2	0	1,200	600	5,000	70,000	76,800	18
District 4	0	1,100	2,000	8,000	20,000	31,100	6
District 7	0	100	60	30,000	7,500	37,660	7
District 12	0	200	200	80,000	4,000	84,400	6
Total	0	9,600	4,860	353,000	241,500	608,960	103

FISH PER BOAT

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	106	30	3,485	2,121	5,742
District 2	0	67	33	278	3,889	4,267
District 4	0	183	333	1,333	3,333	5,183
District 7	0	14	9	4,286	1,071	5,380
District 12	0	33	33	13,333	667	14,067

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 65,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 2,000 Chinook and 100 chum salmon.

Hidden Falls THA harvest to date: 559,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 970 Chinook and 159,000 chum salmon.

District 14, Section 13-B and Thomas Bay THA: confidential.

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