



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., Thursday, July 20, 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., Thursday, July 20, 2023:**

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the northern tip of **Windy Point at 55°13.10' N lat with the following restrictions:**

Moir Sound: will be closed west of the longitude of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage at **132°00.35' W long;**

Cholmondeley Sound and contiguous waters: 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., Thursday, July 20, 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°57.07' N lat, 132°44.68' W long to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo 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°54.43' N lat, 132°24.86' 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°32.04' N lat, 133°27.35' 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°32.04' N lat, 133°27.35' 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., Thursday, July 20, 2023**:

District 4: will be open.

District 10

District 10: **will be closed.**

District 11

The following area will be open to purse seining from **9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2023**:

Section 11-A: will be open in the following area:

Amalga Harbor Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open in the waters of Favorite Channel within the boundaries of a line from a marker on the mainland shore south of Eagle Beach at 58°30.65' N lat, 134°49.30' W long, west to the northern tip of Gull Island at 58°30.35' N lat, 134°52.14' W long, southeast to the southern tip of Bird Island at 58°29.32' N lat, 134°51.01' W long, southeast to a point at 58°28.62' N lat, 134°48.22' W long, northeast to a marker on the mainland shore north of Pearl Harbor at 58°28.78' N lat, 134°47.26' W long, north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°28.99' N lat, 134°47.41' W long, north to a marker on the westernmost tip of Kishbrock Island at 58°29.47' N lat, 134°47.78' W long, north to a point at 58°29.69' N lat, 134°47.91' W long, and northeast to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°29.83' N lat, 134°47.63' W long.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2023**:

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

Point Augusta: will be open within 1.0 nautical mile (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 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., Thursday, July 20, through 8:00 p.m., Saturday, July 22, 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., Thursday, July 20, 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 111 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 1,300 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.

DIPAC has requested that fishermen awaiting the Amalga Harbor THA fishery be respectful of recreational users and residents in the Amalga Harbor area. Please do not leave skiffs unattended at the boat launch dock.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Friday, July 21, 2023**.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3923.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 29
Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 18, 2023

NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	5,000	1,700	250,000	80,000	336,700	58
District 2	0	2,300	1,500	53,000	145,000	201,800	30
District 3	0	150	500	1,700	11,000	13,350	5
District 4	0	2,700	2,200	75,000	18,000	97,900	6
District 12	0	5,000	1,500	290,000	25,000	321,500	32
District 14	0	1,000	100	120,000	9,000	130,100	10
Total	0	16,150	7,500	789,700	288,000	1,101,350	141

FISH PER BOAT

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	86	29	4,310	1,379	5,805
District 2	0	77	50	1,767	4,833	6,727
District 3	0	30	100	340	2,200	2,670
District 4	0	450	367	12,500	3,000	16,317
District 12	0	156	47	9,063	781	10,047
District 14	0	100	10	12,000	900	13,010

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 79,000 chum salmon.

Hidden Falls THA harvest to date: 639,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest through July 14: 970 Chinook and 159,000 chum salmon.

District 10, Section 13-B, and Thomas Bay THA: confidential.

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