



Advisory Announcement

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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #43

SEINE FISHERIES: PWSAC began its cost recovery sales program on July 25, and has collected approximately 80% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal. PWSAC cost recovery is continuing today.

VFDA has recommended a commercial fishing period in Port Valdez to harvest surplus SGH pink salmon. VFDA estimates 300,000-350,000 fish near the hatchery. Egg-take operations at VFDA began on August 4 and as of yesterday they are 20% complete towards their egg-take goal.

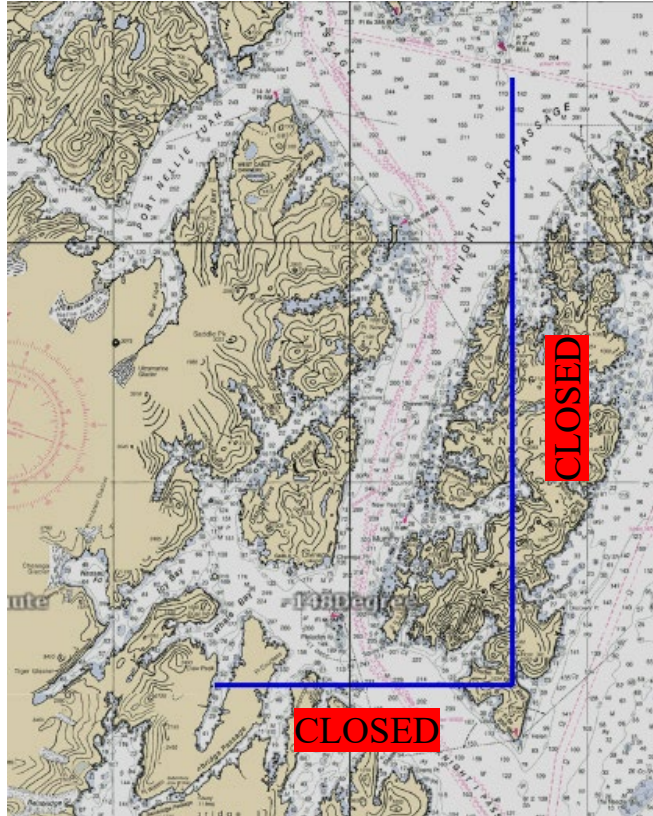
EASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Eastern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Sunday, August 13. Waters of Port Valdez, east of the longitude of 146° 30.00' W., will be closed to fishing for this period. Regulatory closed waters and anadromous stream closures north of a line from Potato Point to Entrance Point will not be in effect during this fishing period.

NORTHERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Northern District, excluding the Cannery Creek and Perry Island Subdistricts, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Sunday, August 13.

COGHILL DISTRICT: Waters of the Coghill District, excluding the WNH SHA and THA and the Esther Subdistrict, will open to commercial purse seine and drift gillnet fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Sunday, August 13.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Northwestern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Sunday, August 13.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Southwestern District, **north of the latitude of 60° 11.50' N., and west of the longitude of 147° 46.27' W.**, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 6-hour period, from 7:00 am until 1:00 pm, on Sunday, August 13.



MONTAGUE DISTRICT: Waters of the Montague District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Sunday, August 13.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Southeastern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Sunday, August 13.

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Monday, August 14.

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.