



## Advisory Announcement

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### Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #44

**SEINE FISHERIES:** PWSAC began its cost recovery sales program on July 25, and has collected approximately 94% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal. PWSAC cost recovery is continuing today.

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 25% complete towards their egg-take goal.

Preliminary harvest estimates for the fishing periods that occurred on August 13 are as follows:

- Eastern District: 286,000 pink and 50,800 chum salmon with 39 reported deliveries
- Northern District: 837,000 pink salmon with 98 reported deliveries
- Coghill District: 276,000 pink salmon with 29 reported deliveries
- Northwestern District: 67,500 with 9 reported deliveries
- Southwestern District: 362,000 pink salmon with 37 reported deliveries
- Montague District: 296,000 pink salmon with 29 reported deliveries

Recent preliminary otolith contribution estimates are as follows:

- Northern District on August 9: 52% CCH, 20% AFK, 9% WNH, and 20% wild
- Southwestern District on August 9: 65% AFK, 13% WNH, 6% CCH, and 17% wild

**EASTERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Eastern District, south of a line from Potato Point to Entrance Point, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 15.

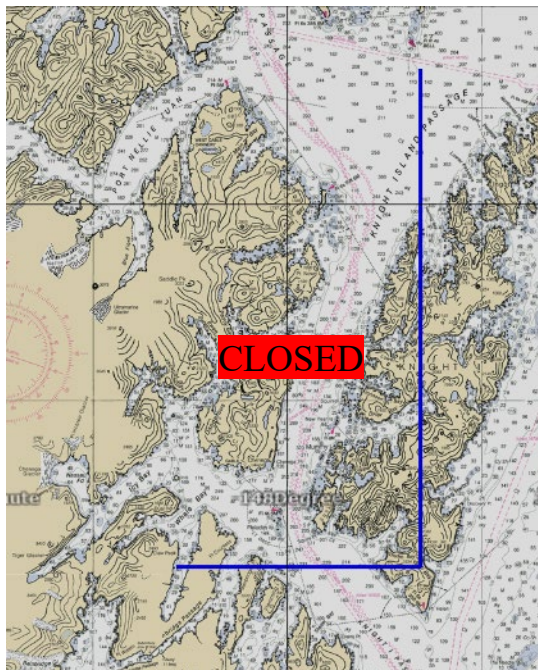
**NORTHERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Northern District, excluding the Cannery Creek Subdistrict, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 15.

**COGHILL DISTRICT:** Waters of the Coghill District, up to a line of buoys in front the barrier seine, will open to commercial purse seine and drift gillnet fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 15.

**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 Tuesday, August 15.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Southwestern District, south of the latitude of 60° 11.50' N and east of Point Helen (147° 46.27' W.), excluding waters of the San Juan Subdistrict and waters of the AFK THA

and SHA, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Tuesday, August 15. Anadromous stream closures within the Point Elrington Subdistrict will not be in effect during this fishing period.



**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 Tuesday, August 15.

**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 Tuesday, August 15.

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, August 16.

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.