



Advisory Announcement
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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Section 1-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 20, through 12:00 noon, Friday, August 25, 2023**, with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point at 54°50.03' N lat.

District 6: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 20, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 23, 2023**, with the following restriction:

Section 6-D: will be closed.

District 8: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 20, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 23, 2023**, with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: will be closed south and west of a line from a point 1.0 nautical mile (nmi) off the Kupreanof Island shoreline on the District 10 boundary at 56°57.27' N lat, 132°58.96' W long to Sukoi Island Light at 56°53.73' N lat, 132°56.64' W long to Frederick Point at 56°47.55' N lat, 132°49.27' W long;

Stikine River: will be closed north and west of a line from Babbler Point at 56°29.08' N lat, 132°17.37' W long to Hour Point at 56°27.73' N lat, 132°16.79' W long, north and east of a line from Point Highfield at 56°29.34' N lat, 132°23.36' W long to the southern end of Liesnoi Island at 56°29.83' N lat, 132°29.19' W long to the southern end of Greys Island at 56°30.67' N lat, 132°33.05' W long to the small island near the eastern entrance of Blind Slough at 56°31.83' N lat, 132°40.17' W long to the nearest point on Mitkof Island at 56°31.88' N lat, 132°40.66' W long, and south and east of a line from the prominent point on Mitkof Island nearest Coney Island at 56°40.77' N lat, 132°39.28' W long to the western end of Coney Island at 56°41.62' N lat, 132°38.92' W long to a point 800 yards north of Japanese Creek on the mainland shore at 56°46.62' N lat, 132°37.11' W long.

Section 11-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 20, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 23, 2023**, with the following restrictions:

Limestone Inlet: will be closed east of a line from a point on the north shore at 58°02.04' N lat, 133°59.60' W long to a point on the south shore at 58°01.75' N lat, 133°59.40' W long (outside markers);

Port Snettisham: will be closed east of a line from Sharp Point at 58°00.66' N lat, 133°47.15' W long to Sentinel Point at 57°59.74' N lat, 133°45.62' W long.

Section 11-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 20, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 23, 2023**.

Section 15-A: will be open in those waters of Chilkoot Inlet north of the latitude of Mud Bay Point at 59°09.05' N lat, from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 20, through 12:00 noon, Friday, August 25, 2023**, with the following restriction:

Lutak Inlet: will be closed north of a line from White Rock at 59°18.05' N lat, 135°31.33' W long to a point at 59°18.73' N lat, 135°30.16' W long.

Section 15-A: will be open south of the latitude of Mud Bay Point at 59°09.05' N lat, from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 20, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 23, 2023**, with the following restriction:

Chilkat Inlet: will be closed north of a line from Glacier Point at 59°06.02' N lat, 135°22.97' W long to the westernmost tip of Twin Coves at 59°06.58' N lat, 135°21.70' W long.

Section 15-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 20, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 23, 2023**.

Section 15-C: outer waters of the Boat Harbor Terminal Harvest Area (THA) east of 135°09.57' W long within 1.0 nmi of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Lance Point at 58°43.95' N lat and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°36.96' N lat, **will close at 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 23, 2023**, with the following restriction:

William Henry Bay: will be closed south of 58°42.93' N lat.

Section 15-C: the Boat Harbor THA will remain open until further notice in the waters of Boat Harbor west of 135°09.57' W long, with no restrictions.

The Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery is being managed according to the District 1 Pink Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 33.360). The District 1 purse seine fishery will receive at least three days of fishing time during statistical week 34. Therefore, the Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery will be given five days of fishing time.

Section 6-D is closed after the first Saturday in August and before the first Sunday in September except as provided in the Section 6-D Pink Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 33.359). This regulation opens Section 6-D to the drift gillnet fishery when the purse seine fishery is opened in that area. A separate advisory announcement may be necessitated in the event that 6-D is opened, and notice will likely be very short.

Fishermen 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 Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1S6723.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 33 (August 13 through August 19)
Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 17, 2023

NUMBER OF SALMON

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Days Open
District 1	0	150	200	2,000	9,000	11,350	11	5
District 6	50	3,000	3,000	30,000	17,000	53,050	35	5
District 8	20	200	800	5,000	10,000	16,020	20	5
District 11	20	2,000	1,000	1,500	1,500	6,020	15	4
District 15	0	8,000	250	9,000	10,000	27,250	52	5
Total	90	13,350	5,250	47,500	47,500	113,690		

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	14	18	182	818	1,032
District 6	1	86	86	857	486	1,516
District 8	1	10	40	250	500	801
District 11	1	133	67	100	100	401
District 15	0	154	5	173	192	524

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 280,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 1,430 Chinook and 208,000 chum salmon.

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