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## Advisory Announcement

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### SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

#### District 1

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023:**

Section 1-C: will be open south of a line from Fox Point at 55°15.60' N lat, 131°03.88' W long to a point south of Roe Point at 55°14.50' N lat, 131°00.56' W long.

Section 1-F: will be open south and east of a line from California Head at 55°19.57' N lat, 131°29.07' W long to Spire Island Reef Light at 55°16.08' N lat, 131°29.98' W long to the southernmost tip of Gravina Point at 55°17.12' N lat, 131°37.19' W long to a point on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55°20.87' N lat, 131°51.94' W long (located on the westernmost tip of an unnamed island immediately south of Grant Cove) then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point at 55°05.15' N lat, 130°59.10' W long to Kah Shakes Point at 55°04.26' N lat, 130°58.80' W long;

Carroll Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of California Head at 55°19.57' N lat;

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

Thorne Arm: will be closed north and east of a line from Moth Point at 55°15.92' N lat, 131°19.69' W long to the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.91' N lat, 131°19.04' W long.

#### District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023:**

District 2: will be open with the following restrictions:

Cleveland Peninsula: will be closed within 1.0 nautical mile (nmi) of the mainland shore south of Niblack Point at 55°33.00' N lat;

Cholmondeley Sound: **will be closed south of 55°15.00' N lat;**

West Arm of Moira Sound: **normal markers;**

West Arm of Moria Sound southern shore unnamed stream: no restrictions will be in effect for the unnamed stream located at 54°59.28' N lat, 132°11.59' W long (all freshwaters and stream channels will remain closed);

Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, Twelve Mile Arm, and contiguous waters: will be closed west of the longitude of Skowl Point Light at 132°16.17' W long;

Thorne Bay and contiguous waters: will be closed west of a line from Tolstoi Point at 55°40.22' N lat, 132°23.55' W long to the Prince of Wales shoreline at 55°42.33' N lat, 132°26.74' W long.

### District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023**:

Section 3-A: will be open 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;

Hassiah Inlet and Mabel Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of 132°35.00' W long;

Hetta Inlet, Sukkwan Strait, and contiguous waters: will be closed north of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Round Point at 55°07.63' N lat;

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

Klakas Inlet: will be closed north of 55°03.92' N lat;

Klakas Lake Cove: will be closed east of 132°24.12' W long;

Max Cove: will be closed east of 132°24.34' W long.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the southernmost tip of Bay Point at 55°42.44' N lat, 133°29.53' W long to the northernmost tip of St. Philip Island at 55°39.31' N lat, 133°25.15' W long to the northernmost tip of Blanquizar Point at 55°37.36' N lat, 133°23.86' W long to the southernmost tip of Blanquizar Point at 55°37.06' N lat, 133°23.31' W long to the northernmost tip of Rosary Island at 55°35.13' N lat, 133°18.34' W long, to the southernmost tip of Sombrero Island at 55°34.01' N lat, 133°14.21' W long, to the westernmost tip of Madre de Dios Island at 55°23.63' N lat, 133°09.66' W long, to Point Bataan at 55°22.87' N lat, 133°11.11' 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°26.93' N lat, 133°25.90' 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;

Ulloa Channel: will be closed south of 55°19.15' N lat and north of Point San Antonio at 55°17.40' N lat.

Section 3-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

Holbrook Arm, Van Sant Cove, and contiguous waters: will be closed north and west of a line from Limestone Point Light at 55°56.31' N lat, 133°36.96' W long to the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point at 56°00.30' N lat, 133°28.64' W long;

Token Bay: will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point at 133°28.64' W long.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023:**

District 4: will be open.

District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023:**

District 5: will be open south and west of a line from Boulder Point at 56°19.12' N lat, 133°50.17' W long to the westernmost Barrier Island at 56°12.76' N lat, 133°40.72' W long then due east to Prince of Wales Island with the following restriction:

Shakan Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of Shakan Bay Light at 133°37.55' W long.

District 6

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023:**

Section 6-C: **will be closed.**

Section 6-D: **will be closed.**

Section 6-E: will be open with the following restrictions:

Burnett Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude and east of the longitude of the southernmost tip of Fawn Island at 56°03.12' N lat, 132°29.91' W long;

Mosman Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Marble Point 56°04.29' N lat;

McHenry Inlet: will be closed east of 132°27.78' W long.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023:**

Section 9-B: will be open with the following restrictions:

Eliza Harbor: will be closed north of 57°14.63' N lat;

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.47' N lat, 134°17.26' W long to 56°39.10' N lat, 134°16.63' W long;

Bay of Pillars: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis at 56°33.24' N lat, 134°19.12' W long to Point Ellis Light at 56°34.00' N lat, 134°19.99' W long to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42' N lat, 134°16.62' W long;

Gedney Harbor: will be closed east of a line from Swaine Point at 56°25.61' N lat, 134°14.84' W long to Point Cosmos at 56°21.18' N lat, 134°17.54' W long;

Port Malmesbury: will be closed east of a point on the north shore at 56°17.15' N lat, 134°18.00' W long to a point on the south shore at 56°15.72' N lat, 134°16.77' W long.

### District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023**:

Section 12-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39' N lat with the following restrictions:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be closed within 2.0 nmi of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Parker Point at 57°36.73' N lat and north of the latitude of Point Samuel at 57°28.45' N lat;

Tenakee Inlet: will be closed west of a line from East Point at 57°48.33' N lat, 134°56.92' W long to South Passage Point at 57°45.85' N lat, 134°56.32' W long;

Chichagof Island shoreline: will be closed within 2.0 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline south of the latitude of 57°41.65' N lat and north of the latitude of 57°37.91' N lat;

Baranof Island shoreline: will be closed within 2.0 nmi of the Baranof Island shoreline south of 57°06.76' N lat;

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;

Catherine Island unnamed salmon stream: waters of an unnamed salmon stream located at 57°20.30' N lat, 134°48.61' W long will be closed to within 100 yards of freshwater (stream channels remain closed at any stage of the tide).

### District 13

Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters: **will be closed**.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023**:

Section 13-B: Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.52' N lat, 135°34.25' W long to Sentinel Rock at 57°02.83' N lat, 135°24.62' W long to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°04.09' N lat, 135°22.08' W long with the following restrictions:

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.01' N lat, and south of the latitude of Creek Point at 57°12.94' N lat;

Katlian Bay: will be closed east of 135°18.22' W long;

Mosquito Cove unnamed salmon stream: waters of an unnamed salmon stream located at 57°08.54' N lat, 135°22.33' W long will be closed to within 100 yards of freshwater (stream channels remain closed at any stage of the tide).

Section 13-C: will be open east of 135°03.73' W long with the following restriction:

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north and west of line from Point Craven at 57°27.95' N lat, 134°52.18' W long to Point Hayes at 57°28.83' N lat, 134°50.33' W long.

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023:**

**Section 13-B: West Crawfish Inlet: will be open north and east of a line from 56°48.74' N lat, 135°11.93' W long to 56°48.35' N lat, 135°11.66' W long with the following restrictions:**

**Cedar Pass: will be closed south of 56°48.08' N lat;**

**Shamrock Bay salmon stream: no restrictions will be in effect for the Lake Ekaterina outlet stream (all freshwaters and stream channels remain closed);**

**West Crawfish Inlet unnamed salmon streams: no restrictions will be in effect for the two unnamed salmon streams located at 56°48.33' N lat, 135°10.81' W long and 56°50.22' N lat, 135°12.07' W long (all freshwaters and stream channels remain closed).**

#### District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Monday, August 28, to 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 29, 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 2.0 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

**Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas, 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.**

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 **Wednesday, August 30, 2023.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S7423.

**Statistical Midweek 34 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates:** Harvests in all districts are confidential due to limited numbers of boats and/or processors. The estimated pink salmon harvest for this opening is 1.0–1.5 million fish.

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