



Advisory Announcement

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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #32

SEINE FISHERIES: This announcement will provide time and area specifics for commercial purse seine fishing opportunities in PWS on Monday, August 12.

Aerial surveys of all districts are ongoing, and escapement trends are within the expected ranges for this timeframe.

PWSAC began its cost recovery sales program on Friday, August 2, and has collected approximately 16% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal. Cost recovery fishing continues today.

Egg-take operations at VFDA began on August 4, and as of yesterday, they are 14% complete towards their egg-take goal.

5 AAC 24.350 Closed Waters. Unless otherwise specified, all regulatory closed waters and anadromous stream closures are in effect. Alaska Fish Resource Monitor ([Alaska Fish Resource Monitor \(arcgis.com\)](https://arcgis.com)) has an interactive map highlighting approximate locations of cataloged anadromous streams.

EASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Eastern District, **south of the latitude of 60° 59.00' N. lat.**, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Monday, August 12.

Waters inside the following Eastern District Salmon Harvest Task Force (SHTF) markers will be closed to commercial fishing during this period to ensure early season escapement:

(1) **Port Fidalgo Subdistrict:** waters east of 146°24.12' W. long.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Northwestern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour fishing period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Monday, August 12.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Southeastern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., on Monday, August 12.

The next scheduled salmon seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, August 15.

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.