



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 25, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 29, 2024**, 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 25, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 28, 2024**, with the following restriction:

Section 6-D: will be closed.

District 8: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 28, 2024**, with the following restrictions:

Section 8-A: will be closed 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 Islets 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 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 8-B: 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.

Section 11-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 29, 2024**, 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-B, Speel Arm Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, 2024, until further notice**, with the following restriction:

Speel Arm THA: will be closed south of the latitude of Bogert Point at 58°03.89' N lat and north of a line from a point on the western shore at the head of Speel Arm at 58°07.09' N lat, 133°44.11' W long to a point on the eastern shore at 58°07.59' N lat, 133°42.80' W long.

Section 15-A: will be open **from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 29, 2024**, in those waters of Chilkoot and Lutak Inlets north of the latitude of Mud Bay Point at 59°09.05' N lat, 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 **from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 28, 2024**, in those waters south of the latitude of Mud Bay Point at 59°09.05' N lat, with the following restriction:

Chilkat Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Kochu Island at 59°09.03' N lat.

Section 15-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 28, 2024**, with the following restriction:

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

Section 15-C: the Boat Harbor THA waters of Boat Harbor west of 135°09.57' W long **will close with the remainder of Section 15-C at 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 28, 2024.**

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 is expected to receive two days of fishing time during statistical week 35. Therefore, the Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery will be given four days of fishing time. If the District 1 purse seine fishery is open for more than two days during statistical week 34 the fishing time in Section 1-B will be extended accordingly.

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.

All Chinook salmon harvested in the commercial drift gillnet fisheries may be retained and sold. Chinook salmon less than 28 inches in length and those of Alaska hatchery origin will not be counted against Southeast Alaska's all gear harvest limit of the Pacific Salmon Treaty. Therefore, fishermen and tenders are requested to keep Chinook salmon harvested in THAs separate from those harvested in traditional fishing areas. Separating these harvests will allow for better accounting of harvests and assist in sampling the harvests to identify Alaska hatchery-produced Chinook salmon.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1S7724.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 34 (August 18 through August 24)
Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 22, 2024

NUMBER OF SALMON								Days
District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Open
District 1	0	400	2,000	12,000	9,000	23,400	14	5
District 6	5	500	6,000	1,400	1,400	9,305	33	2
District 8	10	50	700	100	2,100	2,960	9	2
District 11	0	650	4,000	400	650	5,700	15	4
District 15	0	3,500	6,000	1,000	2,000	12,500	46	4
Total	15	5,100	18,700	14,900	15,150	53,865		

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD						
District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	29	143	857	643	1,671
District 6	0	15	182	42	42	282
District 8	1	6	78	11	233	329
District 11	0	43	267	27	43	380
District 15	0	76	130	22	43	272

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 390,000 chum and 500 coho salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 56,000 chum and 300 coho salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 285,000 chum salmon.

Speel Arm THA: harvest is unavailable.

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