



## Advisory Announcement

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## SOUTHEAST COVE TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT UPDATE

The following information details the Northern Southeast Alaska Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) commercial fishing open waters and fishing schedules in the Southeast Cove Terminal Harvest Area (THA) for the 2025 season **and includes updates to the advisory announcement dated April 16, 2025, to reflect a projected run of 550 Chinook salmon to the Southeast Cove THA. Specific updates have been made to the troll fishing schedule and to the Chinook salmon landing restrictions for troll and purse seine in the Southeast Cove THA.**

NSRAA is forecasting a total run of 587,000 summer chum **and 550 Chinook** salmon to the Southeast Cove THA (Figure 1). A portion of the runs may be harvested in common property fisheries in Chatham Strait.

The Southeast Cove THA consists of the waters of Keku Strait enclosed by a line from a rocky point on the northern end of Kuiu Island located on the east side of Southeast Cove at 56°52.92' N lat, 134°01.49' W long to the northern tip of Hound Island at 56°53.12' N lat, 133°56.83' W long, then northwest connecting points along the northern shore of Keku Islands at 56°53.98' N lat, 133°57.69' W long to 56°55.85' N lat, 134°01.00' W long to 56°55.85' N lat, 134°02.21' W long to 56°55.20' N lat, 134°02.66' W long, then to the northwest corner of Payne Island at 56°57.40' N lat, 134°08.82' W long, then south to a point on Kuiu Island at 56°55.02' N lat, 134°09.26' W long.

**Purse seine: will be open from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday and Thursday each week from Sunday, June 15, 2025, through Thursday, July 3, 2025.**

**Drift gillnet: will be open from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday each week from Friday, June 20, 2025, through Friday, July 4, 2025.**

**Troll: will be open continuously from 12:01 a.m., Sunday, June 1, through 11:59 p.m., Saturday, June 14, 2025, and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday each week from 12:01 a.m., Monday, June 16, 2025, through 11:59 p.m., Saturday, July 5, 2025.**

Chum salmon cost recovery will occur in the Southeast Cove THA beginning Monday, July 7, 2025, and the THA will remain closed to all common property fisheries until cost recovery has been completed. Common property fisheries are not anticipated after July 5, 2025. The Southeast Cove THA will close to all fisheries Saturday, August 2, 2025. However, if significant numbers of fish remain, additional common property opportunity may be provided via emergency order (EO), or a cost recovery fishery may be implemented dependent on the presence of wild salmon stocks in the area. If closures or additional openings are warranted, they will be announced by advisory announcement.

**Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for the Southeast Cove THA: Chinook salmon retention is permitted in the troll fishery from June 1 through June 30 when the troll fishery is open and during general summer troll Chinook salmon retention periods established under 5 AAC 29.100; trollers may retain and sell only those Chinook salmon that are 28 inches or greater in length. Chinook salmon caught in the purse seine fishery 28 inches or greater in length, and all Chinook salmon harvested in the drift gillnet fishery may be retained and sold.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E0925.

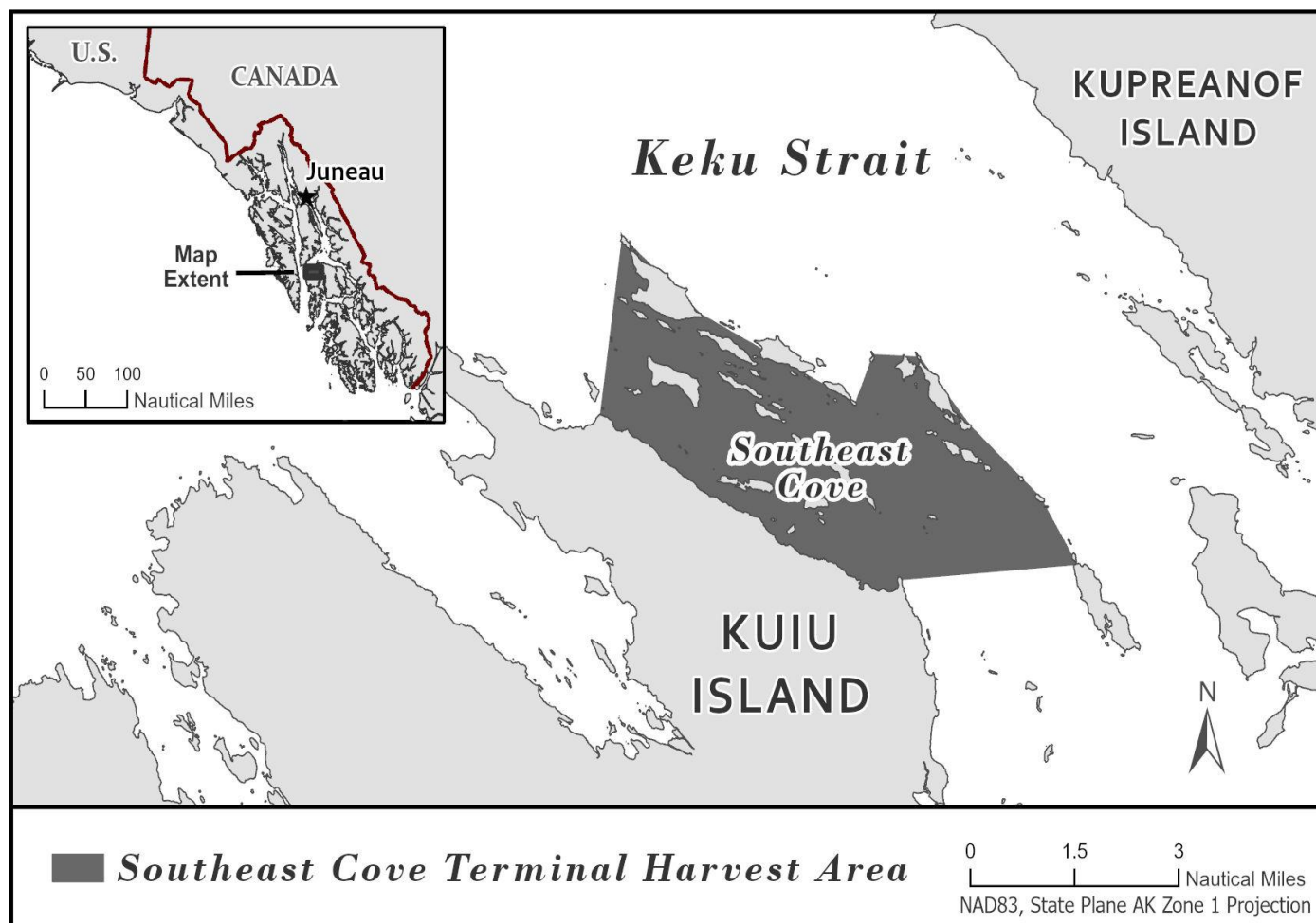


Figure 1.—Map of Southeast Cove THA

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