



Advisory Announcement
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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #24

SEINE FISHERIES: VFDA began its cost recovery sales program on Sunday, June 29, and has collected approximately 52% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal through July 6. Industry sampling of pink salmon cost recovery harvest on July 6 resulted in an average weight of 3.3 pounds per fish and 20% female. VFDA cost recovery is continuing today.

EASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Eastern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, on Tuesday, July 8. **Waters of Port Valdez east of a longitude of 146° 23.00' W. and waters of Port Gravina, north of 60° 42.50' N, will be CLOSED to commercial fishing during this period.** Anadromous stream closures will not be in effect north of a line from Potato Point to Entrance Point. Waters within the Alyeska Marine Terminal (Trans-Alaska Pipeline System) Security Zone are closed to commercial fishing. The preliminary harvest estimate from the period occurring on Saturday, July 5, was 805,000 pink and 5,800 chum salmon, with 137 deliveries reported.

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) **Jack Bay:** waters south and east of a line from a shore marker at approximately 61°02.34' N. lat., 146°35.27' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 61°02.17' N. lat., 146°39.77' W. long.;
- (2) **Sawmill Bay:** north of a line from a marker on shore at approximately 61°02.71' N. lat., 146°46.44' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 61°02.58' N. lat., 146°47.07' W. long.;
- (3) **Galena Bay:** waters east of a line from a shore marker at approximately 60°56.87' N. lat., 146°39.87' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 60°56.55' N. lat., 146°39.65' W. long.;
- (4) **Landlocked Bay:** waters north of 60°50.76' N. lat.;
- (5) **Irish Cove:** south of a line from a shore marker at approximately 60°46.73' N. lat., 146°26.62' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 60°46.27' N. lat., 146°27.12' W. long.;
- (6) **Sheep Bay:** north of a line from a shore marker at approximately 60°41.13' N. lat., 145°58.87' W. long. to ashore marker at approximately 60°40.46' N. lat., 145°58.01' W. long.;

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, July 9.
The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, July 9.

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.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareapws.main> (Prince William Sound and Copper River homepage).