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SOUTHEAST ALASKA DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the opening of the Southeast Alaska drift gillnet fishery, during the times and in the areas listed below, beginning on Sunday, June 29, 2014.

Section 1-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, June 29, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 3**, with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point located at the southern entrance of Edwards Passage.

District 6: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, June 29, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 2**, with the following restriction:

Section 6-D: will be closed north and east of a line from Mariposa Rock Buoy to the northernmost tip of Point Harrington, to a point on Etolin Island at 56°09.60' N. latitude, 132°42.70' W. longitude, to the southernmost tip of Point Stanhope and south of a line from Point Stanhope to Luck Point.

District 8: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, June 29, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 2**, with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: waters of Frederick Sound will be closed north and west of a line from the District 10 boundary one nautical mile off the Kupreanof Island shoreline to Sukoi Island Light to the southernmost tip of Sukoi Island to Frederick Point;

Stikine River: waters off the Stikine River will be closed west of a line from Babbler Point to Hour Point, north of the Wrangell Island shoreline from Hour Point to Point Highfield, north and east of a line from Point Highfield to the southern end of Liesnoi Island to the southern end of Greys Island to the small island near the eastern entrance of Blind Slough to the nearest point of Mitkof Island, and south and east of a line from the prominent point of Mitkof Island nearest Coney Island to the northern end of Coney Island to a point 500 yards north of Jap Creek on the mainland shore.

Section 11-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, June 29, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 2**, with the following restriction:

Port Snettisham: waters of Port Snettisham will be closed east of a line from Point Styleman to Point Anmer.

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, June 29, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 2**, in the waters of Lynn Canal west of a line beginning at a point two nautical miles from the western shoreline of Lynn Canal at the latitude of Point Sherman, to Eldred Rock Light, to the southernmost tip of Talsani Island, to the northernmost tip of Talsani Island, to Seduction Point, with the following restriction:

Chilkat Inlet: will be closed north of a line from a regulatory marker at Glacier Point at 59°06.02' N. latitude, 135°22.97' W. longitude to the westernmost tip of Twin Coves at 59°06.58' N. latitude, 135°21.70' W. longitude.

Section 15-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, June 29, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 2**, in those waters within two nautical miles of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Danger Point at 58°41.73' N. latitude and in all remaining waters of Section 15-C south of the latitude of Point Bridget at 58°40.73' N. latitude.

Section 15-C: (Boat Harbor Terminal Harvest Area (THA)): will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, June 29, until further notice** in those waters within two nautical miles of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Danger Point at 58°41.73' N. latitude.

Fishermen and tenders are asked to keep Chinook salmon harvested in the Anita Bay THA separate from those harvested in District 8. Separating these harvests will greatly assist in fish accounting purposes in regards to the Pacific Salmon Treaty.

Chinook salmon less than 28" that are harvested in the commercial drift gillnet fisheries may be retained and sold. Chinook salmon less than 28" in length, and those of Alaska hatchery origin, will not be counted against the Alaskan allocation of the Pacific Salmon Treaty harvest. The department discontinued the use of species code 411 beginning in 2012 to account for small Chinook salmon in drift gillnet fisheries and instead will rely on ADF&G port sampling programs for that purpose. For drift gillnet fisheries, only species code 410 should be used to report Chinook salmon of all sizes. Fish and Game samplers working at the processing facilities will also identify hatchery-reared Chinook salmon so those fish are not counted against the Alaskan share of the harvest.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S1814.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates
 Statistical Week 26 (June 22 through 28)
 Preliminary Estimates Compiled June 26, 2014

District	NUMBER OF SALMON						Boats	Days Open
	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total		
Section 1-B	200	4,000	200	100	6,000	10,500	35	4
District 6	200	2,500	5,200	200	1,000	9,100	27	2
District 8	1,800	2,800	100	0	800	5,500	35	2
District 11	325	3,000	10	0	13,000	16,335	34	3
District 15	150	2,300	10	0	140,000	142,461	240	3
Deep Inlet THA	400	160	0	0	29,000	29,560	30	3
Total	3,075	14,760	5,521	300	189,800	213,456		

District	FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD					
	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
Section 1-B	6	114	6	3	171	300
District 6	7	93	193	7	37	337
District 8	51	80	3	0	23	157
District 11	10	88	0	0	382	480
District 15	1	10	0	0	583	594
Deep Inlet THA	13	5	0	0	967	985

Anita Bay THA: confidential.
 Deep Inlet: open three days.
 Nakat Inlet THA: no reported harvest.

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