## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## DISTRICT 8 DRIFT GILLNET MIDWEEK FISHERY EXTENSION

Wrangell. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the drift gillnet fishery in District 8 will be extended for an additional **24 hours** and will close at **6:00 a.m., Saturday, July 5**.

Section 6-A: will be extended for 24 hours and will close at 6:00 a.m., Saturday, July 5, in waters east of a line from Point Alexander to the northwestern tip of Northerly Island at 56°26.56′ N. latitude, 132°58.63′ W. longitude.

(This opens that portion of section 6-A to the west of Low Point on the northern shore of Zarembo Island while leaving Point Alexander on the south shore of Mitkof Island as the northern point of the existing District 6 and 8 line).

District 8: will be extended for 24 hours and will close at 6:00 a.m., Saturday, July 5, with the following restrictions:

<u>Frederick Sound</u>: waters of Frederick Sound will be closed 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.

Fishermen and tenders are asked to keep king 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.

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