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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that there will be no more directed pink salmon openings in Southeast Alaska for the 2014 season. The following areas will be open to purse seining directed at fall chum salmon during the times and areas listed below:

District 1

District 1: **will be closed**.

District 2

District 2: **will be closed**.

District 3

District 3: **will be closed**.

District 4

District 4: **will be closed**.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Sunday, August 31, 2014:

Section 9-B: will be open within two nautical miles of the Kuiu Island shoreline north of the latitude of Kingsmill Point Light and south of the latitude of Meade Point with the following restrictions:

Security Bay: normal markers;

Saginaw Bay and Keku Straits: will be closed.

District 13

Section 13-B: **will be closed**.

District 14

The following area will be open to purse seining from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Sunday, August 31, 2014:

Section 14-C: will be open in the following area:

Excursion Inlet: will be open in those waters north of the latitude of the northernmost tip of the Porpoise Islands at 58°20.65′ N. latitude and south of a line from Sawmill Point at 58°27.01′ N. latitude, 135°28.77′ W. longitude, to a point on the east mainland shoreline at 58°26.97′ N. latitude, 135°27.41′ W. longitude, including the waters of Sawmill Bay.

Processors are reminded that numbers and pounds of all species of salmon harvested must be included on fish tickets (5 AAC 39.130).

King Salmon Landing Restrictions: For Kendrick Bay THA and fishing areas open outside of THAs, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length may be retained and sold. King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls, Anita Bay, and Neets Bay THAs may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained, must be reported on fish tickets, and may be sold.

The department will be monitoring chum salmon returns in Cholmondeley Sound and will issue an announcement on September 5 for a possible opening on or around September 9. An early opening may occur if excess fish are seen on next week's surveys. In addition, the department will continue to monitor fall chum salmon returns to Security Bay, Port Camden, Nakwasina Sound, Chaik Bay, and Excursion Inlet for fall chum salmon fishing opportunities.

Cumulative regional seine harvest of pink salmon is now estimated at 31 million fish.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Tuesday, September 2, 2014**.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is 1S6114.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates
For August 28-29 Fishing Period
Preliminary estimates compiled August 29, 2014

	NUMBERS OF SALMON						
Area	**King**	**Red**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Chum**	**Total**	**Boats**
District 1	0	700	1,500	10,000	700	12,900	10
District 2	0	550	600	4,500	500	6,150	5
District 4	30	1,600	1,000	3,000	500	6,130	10
Totals	**30**	**2,850**	**3,100**	**17,500**	**1,700**	**25,180**	**25**

	FISH PER BOAT					
Area	**King**	**Red**	**Coho**	**Pink**	**Chum**	**Total**
District 1	0	70	150	1,000	70	1,290
District 2	0	110	120	900	100	1,230
District 4	3	160	100	300	50	613

Confidential Harvest Information: Section 9-B.

No reported harvest: District 3.

No catch information available: District 13.

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