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SOUTHERN, NORTHERN, & JOINT SOUTHEAST REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM MEETING

Wednesday, April 8, 2015 (9:00 a.m.)

Naha Room, Ted Ferry Civic Center

888 Venetia Avenue

Ketchikan, Alaska 99901

Juneau. . .The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announces the Joint, Northern, and Southern Southeast Regional Planning Teams spring 2015 meeting will be held at the above time and place. The Regional Planning Teams (RPT) consists of representatives of salmon fishing gear groups and ADF&G personnel. RPTs were established by the Commissioner of ADF&G for the purpose of development and amendment of comprehensive salmon plans; making recommendations concerning private non-profit hatchery permits and permit alteration requests (PARs); and making recommendations concerning the allocation of enhanced salmon throughout Southeast Alaska. This meeting is open to the public.

The Southern RPT will review two PARs: 1) Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) PAR to shift up to 200,000 summer coho salmon smolt production from Burnett Inlet Hatchery to Whitman Lake Hatchery; 2) SSRAA PAR to reestablish Carroll Inlet as a remote release site for up to 600,000 Chickamin River stock king salmon smolt.

The Northern RPT will review three PARs: 1) Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) PAR to add Douglas Island Pink and Chum, Inc. (DIPAC) chum salmon as a backup egg source for up to 30 million eggs for releases at Southeast Cove through 2019; 2) DIPAC PAR to add 25,000 rainbow trout eggs to the hatchery permit; and 3) Armstrong-Keta, Inc. PAR to add 30 million chum salmon eggs to the Port Armstrong Hatchery permit and add Port Lucy as a remote release site.

The Joint RPT will review the latest allocation of enhanced salmon data, review the calculation of allocation value and draft a report to the Commissioner of ADF&G. The Joint RPT will also begin a review of the allocation plan with the long-term objective of finding a solution to the allocation imbalance. The Joint RPT may also discuss additional hatchery related topics.

Should you have special needs in order to participate in this meeting, copies of the agenda or additional information, please contact Mr. Pryor (Garold.Pryor@alaska.gov). PDF copies of PARs can be found at: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishingHatcheriesPlanning.regional>

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