ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

NEWS RELEASE



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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The department has been monitoring chum salmon stocks throughout Southeast Alaska and has determined that chum salmon abundance will allow fall chum salmon fisheries in areas of Districts 2 and 9

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Friday, September 4, 2015:

District 2: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Prince of Wales Island shoreline south of the northernmost tip of Tolstoi Point located at 55°40.25′ N. latitude and north of the latitude of Cape Chacon Light with the following restrictions:

<u>Cholmondeley Sound</u>: will be closed south of 55°15.00′ N. latitude, all waters of Sunny Cove and West Arm are closed;

<u>Moira Sound</u>: will be closed west of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage located at 132°00.35′ W. longitude;

<u>Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, Twelve Mile Arm, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed west of Island Point at 132°10.00′ W. longitude;

Thorne Bay, Tolstoi Bay and contiguous waters: will be closed.

District 9

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Friday, September 4, 2015:

Section 9-B: will be open in the following areas:

Security Bay and contiguous waters: 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 regulatory closed waters;

Saginaw Bay and Keku Straits: will be closed.

Port Camden: will be open south of the latitude of Point Camden with the following restriction:

Port Camden: normal regulatory closed waters.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Tuesday**, **September 8**, **2015**.

<u>King Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: **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 and may be sold.

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