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SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SPRING TROLL FISHERY

Sitka . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information concerning the spring troll fishery:

Ketchikan areas:

West Rock (101-21)	June 27
Ketchikan (101-29)	June 25-27
Mountain Point (101-45)	June 26-30
Stone Rock Bay (102-09)	CLOSED
Kendrick Bay (102-10)	CLOSED
West Clarence Strait (102-50)	June 26-29

Wrangell/Prince of Wales areas:

Bucareli Bay (103-50)	CLOSED
South Sumner Strait (105-41)	June 26
Steamer Point (106-30)	June 24-30
Snow Pass (106-41)	June 26-30
North Sumner Strait (106-43)	June 26-30
Ernest Sound (107-10)	June 26-30
Chichagof Pass (108-10)	June 27-30
Craig Point (108-40)	June 27-30

Chatham Strait/Frederick Sound areas:

Little Port Walter (109-10)	June 26-30
Tebenkof Bay (109-62)	CLOSED
Frederick Sound (110-31)	June 26-30
Chatham Strait (112-12)	June 26-30

Sitka areas:

Western Channel (113-01)	CLOSED
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	June 26-29
Biorka Island (113-31)	CLOSED
Goddard (113-32)	June 26-27
Sitka Sound (113-41)	CLOSED
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	June 26-27

Pelican areas:

Lisianski Inlet (113-95)	June 25–30
Stag Bay (113-97)	June 26–30
Port Althorp (114-50)	June 25–30

Icy Strait/North Chatham areas open June 26–30:

Hawk Inlet (112-65)	Cross Sound (114-21)	South Passage (114-23)
Homeshore (114-25)	Point Sophia (114-27)	

District 12 and 14 Enhanced Chum Salmon areas open June 27–30:

Northern Chatham Strait (112-16)
Point Couverden (114-25-01)

Note: these fisheries are open to chum and pink salmon retention only.

Yakutat area:

Yakutat Bay (183-10) June 29

The **Terminal Harvest Areas** listed below will remain open until further notice:

Neets Bay (101-95), Anita Bay (107-35), Hidden Falls (112-22)

The Port Armstrong Terminal Harvest Area (109-11) is scheduled to close June 30, but may be extended by Emergency Order. Any extension of the fishery would be announced in a future news release.

SALMON RETENTION BY SPECIES AND ADIPOSE FIN-CLIPPED SALMON

The retention and sale of coho salmon began June 1. Chum, pink, and sockeye salmon may be retained and sold year-round. The heads of all adipose fin-clipped salmon must remain attached to the fish until the fish are sold [5 AAC 29.140 (b)]. **Permit holders who freeze their catch onboard are reminded that an Exemption Permit is required to allow the removal of heads from Chinook salmon harvested in the spring and summer troll fisheries prior to delivery.**

It is extremely important to keep fish caught in different fishery areas separated so that accurate dockside sampling can occur by department personnel. If more than one area is fished, each troller and tender is required to keep and report these catches separately on **separate fish tickets** (5 AAC 29.090(k)). The fishery name and the fishery area number must be reported on all fish tickets.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S2716.

Detailed area descriptions and maps exclusive to the spring troll fisheries can be found in the 2016 Spring Troll Management Plan, which is available in area offices and online.

The 2016 Summer Troll Management Plan will be available in area offices and online during the week of June 26.

2016 Spring Chinook Harvest and Effort				
Spring Troll Area	Week of 6/19 (SW 26)		Cumulative	
	Landings	Harvest	Landings	Harvest
West Rock (101-21)**			54	603
Ketchikan (101-29)	18	219	136	1,343
Mountain Point (101-45)	16	177	210	1,822
Stone Rock Bay (102-09)	7	129	60	1,498
Kendrick Bay (102-10)**			84	2,100
West Clarence Strait (102-50)	3	40	71	883
Bucareli Bay (103-50)	20	106	119	1,031
Sumner Strait (105-41)	6	73	83	1,061
Steamer Point (106-30)	6	61	51	467
Snow Pass (106-41)	3	61	42	493
North Sumner Strait (106-43)	*	*	20	147
Ernest Sound (107-10)	3	31	79	612
Chichagof Pass (108-10)**			36	225
Craig Point (108-40)**			15	109
District 8 Directed (108-41)			96	559
Little Port Walter (109-10)**	*	*	76	440
Tebenkof Bay (109-62)**			205	3,823
Frederick Sound (110-31)	7	14	78	685
Chatham Strait (112-12)**	12	157	250	2,731
Hawk Inlet (112-65)			23	150
Western Channel (113-01)			181	1,907
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	26	327	135	1,352
Biorka Island (113-31)	18	167	128	1,209
Goddard (113-32)	27	449	69	907
Sitka Sound (113-41)	103	1,106	876	6,570
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	8	46	95	983
Lisianski Inlet (113-95)	*	*	55	437
Stag Bay (113-97)			4	37
Cross Sound (114-21)			12	120
South Passage (114-23)			9	80
Homesore (114-25)			36	120
Point Sophia (114-27)			62	238
Port Althorp (114-50)	*	*	44	420
Yakutat Bay (183-10)			72	358
Totals for Region	287	3,189	3,566	35,520

*Data are confidential when harvest for fewer than 3 permits is reported

**Weekly landing and harvest data delayed, tender deliveries still pending.

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