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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below:

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 14, 2016:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45' N. latitude, 131°18.90' W. longitude, to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary, with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 14, 2016:

District 2: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Polk Island located at 55°00.73' N. latitude with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday, July 14, 2016:

District 4: will be open.

District 7

Section 7-A: will be closed.

District 11

The following area will be open to purse seining from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 14, 2016:

Section 11-A: will be open in the following area:

Amalga Harbor Special Harvest Area (SHA): will be open in the reduced area in waters of Favorite Channel within the boundaries of a line from a marker on the mainland shore south of Eagle Beach at $58^{\circ}30.65'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}49.30'$ W. longitude, running west to a point at $58^{\circ}30.47'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}50.72'$ W. longitude, then running south to a point at $58^{\circ}28.94'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}48.91'$ W. longitude, then running southeast to a point at $58^{\circ}28.72'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}47.74'$ W. longitude, then running northeast to a marker on the mainland shore north of Pearl Harbor at $58^{\circ}28.78'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}47.26'$ W. longitude, then north to a marker on the mainland shore at $58^{\circ}28.99'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}47.41'$ W. longitude, then north to a marker on the westernmost tip of Kishbrock Island at $58^{\circ}29.47'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}47.78'$ W. longitude, and then north to a marker on the mainland shore at $58^{\circ}30.02'$ N. latitude, $134^{\circ}48.06'$ W. longitude.

District 12

Point Augusta: will be closed.

District 13

Portlock Harbor and Ogden Passage: will be closed.

<u>King Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: For Kendrick Bay Terminal Harvest Area (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.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Friday, July 15, 2016.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is 1S4616.

Copies of the "2016 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan" may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department's website at: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans</u>.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 29 Preliminary Estimates compiled July 12, 2016												
	NUMBERS OF SALMON											
Area	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats					
District 1	160	2,300	1,200	210,000	26,000	239,660	47					
District 2	220	1,700	4,000	120,000	75,000	200,920	48					
District 4	1,200	23,000	24,000	355,000	55,000	458,200	75					
District 7	200	300	50	19,000	35,000	54,550	34					
Point Augusta*	0	400	350	14,400	5,600	20,750	8					
			FISH P	ER BOAT								
Area	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total						
District 1	3	49	26	4,468	553	5,099						
District 2	5	35	83	2,500	1,563	4,186						
District 4	16	307	320	4,733	733	6,109						
District 7	6	9	1	559	1,029	1,604						

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 35,000 chum salmon.

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Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 2,300 king and 6,000 chum salmon.

*In the Point Augusta Index Fishery, the pink salmon harvest was 52% of the ten-year average and 112% of the even-year average; the chum salmon harvest was 93% of the ten-year average.

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1,800

700

2,594

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Portlock Harbor: confidential.

Point Augusta*

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