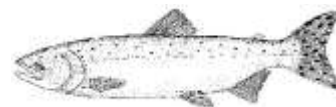

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

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 21, 2016:**

Section 1-F: will be 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 21, 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 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 21, 2016:**

Section 3-A: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Shipwreck Point to the southernmost tip of Coning Point to the southernmost tip of Datzkoo Point located at 54°43.80' N. latitude, 132°41.83' W. longitude, with the following restriction:

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40' N. latitude, 132°24.77' W. longitude, to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island, to a point at 54°49.68' N. latitude, 132°20.50' W. longitude (located approximately one-half nautical mile east of Guide Rock).

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch to the northernmost tip of Point Animas located at 55°32.06' N. latitude, 133°27.37' W. longitude, to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda located at 55°19.11' N. latitude, 133°27.80' W. longitude.

District 4

District 4: **will be closed.**

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 21, 2016:**

Section 7-A: will be open south of a line from Thoms Point at 56°06.96' N. latitude, 132°04.40' W. longitude to Kuakan Point at 56°05.74' N. latitude, 132°01.93' W. longitude then due east to Cleveland Peninsula shoreline.

District 11

The following area will be open to purse seining from **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 21, 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°30.65' N. latitude, 134°49.30' W. longitude, running west to a point at 58°30.47' N. latitude, 134°50.72' W. longitude, then running south to a point at 58°28.94' N. latitude, 134°48.91' W. longitude, then running southeast to a point at 58°28.72' N. latitude, 134°47.74' W. longitude, then running northeast to a marker on the mainland shore north of Pearl Harbor at 58°28.78' N. latitude, 134°47.26' W. longitude, then north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°28.99' N. latitude, 134°47.41' W. longitude, then north to a marker on the westernmost tip of Kishbrock Island at 58°29.47' N. latitude, 134°47.78' W. longitude, and then north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°30.02' N. latitude, 134°48.06' W. longitude.

District 12

Point Augusta: **will be closed.**

District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 21, 2016:**

Section 13-A: will be open in the following area:

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Goulding Harbor: will be closed north of 57°46.32' N. latitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°09.20' W. longitude;

Klag Bay, Lake Anna and Sisters Lake: will be closed east of a line from 57°36.95' N. latitude, 136°06.42' W. longitude to 57°36.68' N. latitude, 136°05.92' W. longitude;

Ford Arm: will be closed north and east of a line from Trap Point to a point on the Chichagof Island shoreline at 57°32.86' N. latitude, 136°00.13' W. longitude;

Slocum Arm: will be closed southeast of 57°31.58' N. latitude.

King Salmon Landing Restrictions: 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.

Hidden Falls THA Update: The Hidden Falls Hatchery needs approximately 180,000 chum salmon for broodstock; to date approximately 90,000 chum salmon have been placed behind the barrier net and 45,000 harvested for cost recovery. NSRAA staff estimates an additional 60,000 chum salmon in Kasnyku Bay. Cost recovery has been suspended and no openings will be provided until broodstock and cost recovery requirements are met.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Friday, July 22, 2016.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is 1S5116.

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:
http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 30
Preliminary Estimates compiled July 19, 2016

NUMBERS OF SALMON							
Area	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	130	3,500	1,700	280,000	17,000	302,330	50
District 2	180	4,000	3,500	250,000	32,000	289,680	60
District 3	100	1,200	1,400	20,000	1,400	24,100	10
District 4	300	14,700	6,700	150,000	7,700	179,400	43
Section 7-A	175	500	100	50,000	80,000	130,775	33
Point Augusta *	5	2,500	400	96,600	13,700	113,205	9
Section 13-A	0	90	100	4,600	4,800	9,590	3
Deep Inlet THA	60	150	30	2,300	31,000	33,540	22
TOTALS	950	26,640	13,930	853,500	187,600	1,082,620	230

FISH PER BOAT						
Area	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	3	70	34	5,600	340	6,047
District 2	3	67	58	4,167	533	4,828
District 3	10	120	140	2,000	140	2,410
District 4	7	342	156	3,488	179	4,172
Section 7-A	5	15	3	1,515	2,424	3,963
Point Augusta*	1	278	44	10,733	1,522	12,578
Section 13-A	0	30	33	1,533	1,600	3,197
Deep Inlet THA	3	7	1	105	1,409	1,525

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 60,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 2,600 king and 10,000 chum salmon.

*In the Point Augusta Index Fishery, the pink salmon harvest was 138% of the ten-year average and 259% of the even-year average; the chum salmon harvest was 380% of the ten-year average.

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