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 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., Monday, August 8, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from of the westernmost tip of Carroll Point at 55°18.02′ N. latitude, to Spire Island Light to a point located on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55°14.91′ N. latitude (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point) then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:

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

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of 55°07.74′ N. latitude (the southernmost tip of Dall Head);

<u>Thorne Arm</u>: will be closed north and east of a line from the northernmost tip of Cone Point located at 55°14.91′ N. latitude, 131°19.04′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Round Island and then due north to Revillagigedo Island.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Monday, August 8, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016:

District 2: will be open south of **Tolstoi Point located at 55°40.25' N. latitude** with the following restrictions:

<u>Cholmondeley Sound</u>: will be closed south of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Chasina Island located at 55°16.42′ N. latitude;

<u>Cleveland Peninsula</u>: will be closed within 2 nautical miles of the Cleveland Peninsula shoreline south of the latitude of Ship Island Light;

<u>Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed west of the longitude of Skowl Point Light;

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

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

District 3

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

Section 3-C: will be open west of the southernmost tip of Marble Island located at 133°26.89′ W. longitude with the following restrictions:

<u>Holbrook Arm, Van Sant Cove, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed north and west of a line from Limestone Point Light to the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point;

<u>Tokeen Bay</u>: all waters will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 133°28.64′ W. longitude.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Monday, August 8, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016:

Section 3-A: will be open south of Nutkwa Point at 55°04.25′ N. latitude with the following restrictions:

<u>Dall Island Shore</u>: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point located at 55°03.62′ N. latitude, 132°58.33′ W. longitude to Shoe Island Light to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point located at 54°43.80′ N. latitude, 132°41.83′ W. longitude;

<u>Hassiah Inlet and Mabel Bay</u>: will be closed east of 132°35.00′ W. longitude and south of the northernmost tip of Helen Island;

<u>Hetta Inlet and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed north of the southernmost tip of Lime Point located at 55°03.17′ N. latitude, 132°37.51′ W. longitude;

Keete Inlet: will be closed east of Nutkwa Point at 132°34.16′ W. longitude;

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);

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of Kassa Point located at 132°31.62′ W. longitude;

<u>Tlevak Strait</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Mellon Rock Light.

Section 3-B: will be closed.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Monday, August 8, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016:

District 4: will be open.

District 5

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

Affleck Canal: will be open north of a line from Cape Decision Light to Point St. Albans.

District 6

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Monday, August 8, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016:

Section 6-D: will be open south and east of a line from a point on the east side of Cooney Cove at 56°04.00′ N. latitude, 132°33.60′ W. longitude to Point Stanhope to Luck Point with the following restrictions:

Burnett Inlet: will be closed north and east of the southernmost tip of Fawn Island;

Mosman Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Marble Point;

<u>Prince of Wales Island shoreline</u>: will be closed within 2 nautical miles of the Prince of Wales Island shoreline north of the latitude of Ratz Harbor Light.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Monday, August 8, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016:

Section 7-B: will be open.

Section 9-B

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016:

Tebenkof and Rowan Bays: will be open east of a line from Point Sullivan to Point Ellis to Swaine Point with the following restrictions:

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.15′ N. latitude, 134°16.45′ W. longitude to 56°39.48′ N. latitude, 134°17.08′ W. longitude;

<u>Bay of Pillars</u>: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis to Point Ellis Light to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude.

District 10

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

District 10: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the mainland shoreline east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Pinta Point and west of a line from Bay Point (57°06.39′ N. latitude, 133°18.86′ W. longitude) to East Point Light with the following restriction:

<u>Port Houghton, Hobart Bay, Windham Bay, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Cape Fanshaw Light.

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Monday, August 8, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2016:

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

Lisianski Strait: will be closed.

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 east of 136°14.56′ W. longitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°08.27′ W. longitude;

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

<u>Ford Arm</u>: 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.

Salisbury Sound: will be closed.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point at 57°05.50′ N. latitude, 135°34.28′ W. longitude to Makhnati Rock Light to Surf Rock Light to Simpson Rock Light to Tsaritsa Rock Light to Silver Point with the following restrictions:

<u>Silver Bay</u>: will be closed east of a line from Entry Point Light to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°01.58′ N. latitude, 135°14.58′ W. longitude;

Camp Coogan Bay: will be closed east of 135°14.78′ W. longitude;

<u>Crescent Bay</u>: will be closed in all waters of Crescent Bay enclosed by a line from the east end of the John O'Connell Bridge to The Twins Light to the southernmost tip of Guertin Island;

<u>Starrigavan Bay and Mosquito Cove</u>: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.78′ N. latitude, 135°22.55′ W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00′ N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point:

Nakwasina Sound: will be closed northeast of a line from 57°12.20′ N. latitude, 135°24.76′ W. longitude to 57°11.65′ N. latitude, 135°23.63′ W. longitude;

<u>Katlian Bay</u>: will be closed east of a line from 57°10.39′ N. latitude, 135°20.72′ W. longitude to 57°09.77′ N. latitude, 135°20.07′ W. longitude.

West Crawfish Inlet and Shamrock Bay: will be open east of 135°16.00′ W. longitude and south of 56°49.00′ N. latitude.

<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 Wednesday, August 10, 2016.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is 1S6516.

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 Mid-week 32

Preliminary Estimates compiled August 6, 2016

Area	NUMBERS OF SALMON								
	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats		
District 1	125	10,000	3,300	400,000	20,000	433,425	58		
District 2	90	11,000	5,500	500,000	15,000	531,590	90		
District 3	15	2,000	1,100	175,000	2,500	180,615	15		
District 4	1,800	53,000	6,500	360,000	22,000	443,300	55		
District 6	20	2,500	1,000	90,000	1,500	95,020	10		
District 7	10	2,000	1,500	70,000	8,000	81,510	15		
Deep Inlet THA	20	20	70	4,000	10,000	14,110	16		
Section 13-A	0	300	400	175,000	8,800	184,500	21		
Section 13-B	0	0	70	11,000	800	11,870	7		
TOTALS	2,080	80,820	19,440	1,785,000	88,600	1,975,940	287		

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	2	172	57	6,897	345	7,473	
District 2	1	122	61	5,556	167	5,907	
District 3	1	133	73	11,667	167	12,041	
District 4	33	964	118	6,545	400	8,060	
District 6	2	250	100	9,000	150	9,502	
District 7	1	133	100	4,667	533	5,434	
Deep Inlet THA	1	1	4	250	625	882	
Section 13-A	0	14	19	8,333	419	8,786	
Section 13-B	0	0	10	1,571	114	1,696	

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