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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 commercial spring troll fishery.

The following terminal harvest areas (THA) **will remain open until further notice:**

Neets Bay THA (101-95), Anita Bay THA (107-35), Port Armstrong THA (109-11), and Hidden Falls THA (112-22).

SCHEDULE OF SPRING TROLL OPENINGS:

Ketchikan area:

West Rock (101-21)	May 22
Ketchikan Area (101-29)	May 22–24
Mountain Point (101-45)	May 23–26
Stone Rock Bay (102-09)	May 22
Kendrick Bay (102-10)	May 22–24
West Clarence Strait (102-50)	May 24–26

Wrangell/Prince of Wales area:

Bucareli Bay (103-50)	May 22–23
South Sumner Strait (105-41)	May 22–23
North Sumner Strait (106-43)	May 22–26
Steamer Point (106-30)	May 22–25
Snow Pass (106-41)	May 22–28
Ernest Sound (107-10)	May 22–28
Chichagof Pass (108-10)	May 22–23
Craig Point (108-40)	May 22–23

Chatham Strait area:

Little Port Walter (109-10)	May 25–26
Frederick Sound (110-31)	May 22–28
Chatham Strait (112-12)	May 22–25
Hawk Inlet (112-65)	May 22–24

Sitka area:

Western Channel (113-01)	May 22
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	May 22–23
Goddard (113-32)	May 22
Sitka Sound (113-41)	May 22–28
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	May 22–24

Pelican/Icy Strait area:

Lisianski Inlet (113-95)	May 22–24
Stag Bay (113-97)	May 22–28
Point Sophia (114-27)	May 22–24
Port Althorp (114-50)	May 23–24

Yakutat area:

Yakutat Bay (183-10)	May 22
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Opening times and dates for other spring areas will be announced in a future new release. Maps and further details are provided in the 2017 Spring Troll Management Plan, which is available in area offices and online.

Reminder for trollers in the Chatham Strait fishery near Kake: the waters of Keku Strait enclosed by a line from a point about one-third mile northwest of Kake at 56°58.95' N. lat., 133°57.42' W. long. to the southernmost tip of the southern Mosquito Island to the northwest tip of Hamilton Island to Wooten's Dock at 56°57.55' N. lat., 133°54.70' W. long., as described in 5 AAC 40.071(a), are closed.

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.

2017 Spring Chinook Harvest and Effort				
Spring Troll Area	Week of 5/14 (SW 20)		Cumulative	
	Landings	Harvest	Landings	Harvest
West Rock (101-21)**	*	*	*	*
Ketchikan (101-29)	8	94	17	165
Mountain Point (101-45)	3	18	14	56
Stone Rock Bay (102-09)	*	*	*	*
Kendrick Bay (102-10)**	*	*	8	147
West Clarence Strait (102-50)			*	*
Bucareli Bay (103-50)	13	131	24	204
Sumner Strait (105-41)	11	111	20	176
Snow Pass (106-41)	*	*	10	36
North Sumner Strait (106-43)			5	18
Ernest Sound (107-10)			*	*
Chichagof Pass (108-10)	4	10	12	41
Frederick Sound (110-31)			*	*
Chatham Strait (112-12)**			14	124
Western Channel (113-01)	13	60	13	60
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	21	216	33	388
Goddard (113-32)	*	*	5	31
Sitka Sound (113-41)	32	161	65	318
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	4	32	4	32
Port Althorp (114-50)			*	*
Yakutat Bay (183-10)	10	77	23	128
Totals for Region	127	1,013	277	1,988

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

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

The Emergency Orders corresponding with this announcement are 1S0217, 1S0617.

News releases web site: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main>.

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