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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the previously announced September 6 opening has been modified as described below. Lines have been added for the District 2 fall chum fishery and in addition, the department has observed a harvestable surplus of pink salmon in Klakas Inlet in District 3 that warrants an immediate fishery.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 6, 2017:

District 2: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Prince of Wales Island shoreline south of the northernmost tip of Tolstoi Point at 55°40.25' N. latitude and **north of the latitude of Cape Chacon Light** with the following restrictions:

Cholmondeley Sound: will be closed south of a line from approximately **0.8 nautical miles east of Hump Island at 55°13.49' N. latitude, 132°05.26' W. longitude** to the westernmost tip of Hump Island at 55°13.62' N. latitude to a point 1 nautical mile due west of the northernmost tip of Babe Island at 55°13.04' N. latitude, 132°09.64' W. longitude;

West Arm of Cholmondeley Sound: will be closed west of **132°20.05' W. Longitude**;

South Arm of Cholmondeley Sound: will be closed south of **55°12.00' N. latitude**;

Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, Twelve Mile Arm, and contiguous waters: will be closed west of Island Point at 132°10.00' W. longitude;

Moira Sound: will be closed west of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage at **132°00.35' W. longitude**;

Sunny Cove: will be closed north of 55°15.00' N. latitude;

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

District 3

The following area will be open to purse seining from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 6, 2017:

Section 3-A: will be open in the following area:

Klakas Inlet: will be open north of a point near Ruth Cutoff at 54°54.40' N. latitude, 132°24.77' W. longitude and south of 55°03.78' N. latitude approximately 0.9 nautical miles south of the head of the inlet.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Monday, September 11, 2017.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S6517.

Copies of the “2017 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.

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