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NEWS RELEASE



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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY EMERGENCY CLOSURE ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announces that all waters of Slocum Arm, Ford Arm, Falcon Arm, and Khaz Bay south of the latitude of Ninefoot Shoal Light (57°34.83' N. latitude) will be closed to seining effective 4:00 p.m., Thursday, August 2, 2012. This emergency closure is necessary due to an observed oil sheen, approximately three-quarters of a mile in length, in an area where a seiner sank this morning in Slocum Arm. The department and other agencies will continue to monitor the extent of the oil sheen and may further adjust seine fishing areas as necessary to avoid harvesting in areas at risk of oil contamination.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S5812.

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