ANITA BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

Wrangell... The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information for the Southern Southeast Alaska Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) concerning salmon fisheries in the Anita Bay Terminal Harvest Area (THA).

Because of poor returns to Neets Bay and Burnette Inlet hatcheries, SSRAA will likely need more chum salmon from Anita Bay THA to achieve broodstock goals. Therefore, the head of Anita Bay will be closed to common property salmon fisheries to allow collection of additional chum salmon broodstock.

Anita Bay THA: waters west of 132°26.98' W. long, will be closed to the harvest of salmon by commercial drift gillnet, purse seine, and troll gear beginning 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 3, 2019 until further notice.

The purse seine and gillnet gear rotation schedule announced in the April 5, 2019 News Release will continue to be in effect in the waters of Anita Bay THA east of 132°26.98' W. long.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E1419.