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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SUMMER TROLL FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced the following information concerning the commercial salmon troll fishery.

The Southeast/Yakutat troll fishery will be extended through 11:59 p.m., September 30, 2019, with the following restriction:

The areas of frequent high king salmon abundance [5 AAC 29.025] will remain closed.

The extension is being implemented based on projections by the department that wild Southeast Alaska/Yakutat coho salmon escapement goals will be met after considering harvest and effort. Coho catch rates in the troll fishery have improved to a seasonal high over the past 2-week period. Recent gillnet catch rates for coho salmon in portions of the region have also increased to above the recent 10-year averages.

Landing requirements

Trollers and processors are reminded that fish tickets must be submitted to the department within 7 days after landing and that any vessel whose port of landing is outside the State of Alaska must submit a completed fish ticket to the department <u>before</u> the fish are transported outside of the jurisdiction of the state (5 AAC 39.130(c)). All fish harvested in the summer troll fishery must be offloaded prior to participating in the winter troll fishery.

Terminal and Special Harvest Areas (THA/SHA):

The Nakat Inlet THA (101-11) will remain open to retention of all salmon species except king salmon through 11:59 p.m., November 10, 2019.

The Neets Bay THA (101-95), will remain closed for the 2019 season.

The Anita Bay THA (107-35) will remain open to retention of all salmon species through 11:59 p.m., November 10, 2019.

The Port Armstrong SHA (109-11) will remain open to retention of all salmon species through 11:59 p.m., September 30, 2019, with the following restriction:

Waters north of a line from 56°17.61′ N. latitude, 134°40.27′ W. longitude to 56°17.67′ N. latitude, 134°39.64′ W. longitude are closed.

The Mist Cove SHA (109-13) will remain open to retention of all salmon species except king salmon through 11:59 p.m., September 30, 2019, with the following restriction:

Waters south of a line from 56°31.07′ N. latitude, 134°40.20′ W. longitude to 56°31.07′ N. latitude, 134°40.12′ W. longitude are closed.

The Hidden Falls THA (112-22) will remain open to retention of all salmon species except king salmon through 11:59 p.m., October 10, 2019, with the following restriction:

Waters are closed north and west of a line between a point at 57°13.17′ N. latitude, 134°51.86′ W. longitude and a point at 57°13.08′ N. latitude, 134°52.02′ W. longitude, and the waters north of a line from 57°13.05′ N. latitude, 134°52.24′ W. longitude to 57°13.06′ N. latitude, 134°52.20′ W. longitude.

The Deep Inlet THA (113-38) will remain open to retention of all salmon species through September 28, 2019, with openings for troll gear on Saturday, September 21 and 28.

Winter Troll Season

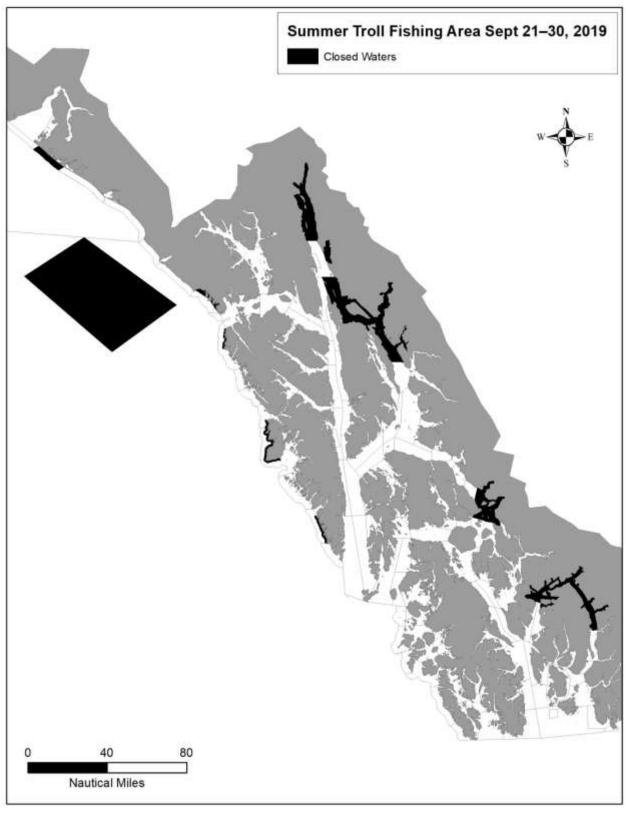
The winter troll fishery will begin, according to regulation, at 12:01 a.m., October 11, 2019. The 2019–2020 Winter Troll Fishery Management Plan will be available in all ADF&G offices, as well as on the troll fishery website, during the week of October 1, 2019.

The 2019 Summer Troll Fishery Management Plan is available at all regional ADF&G offices and on the troll website at:

http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

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

The Emergency Orders corresponding with this announcement are EO 1S7119, 1E0619, 1E1619.



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