



Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Section 1-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 5, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 9, 2020**, with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point at 54°50.00' N lat.

District 6: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 5, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 7, 2020**, with the following restriction:

Section 6-D: will be closed north and east of a line from Point Nesbitt at 56°13.93' N lat, 132°52.35' W long to Nesbitt Reef Light at 56°13.22' N lat, 132°51.84' W long to Mariposa Rock Buoy at 56°10.68' N lat, 132°44.36' W long to the northernmost tip of Point Harrington at 56°10.27' N lat, 132°43.57' W long to a point on Etolin Island at 56°09.60' N lat, 132°42.70' W long to the southernmost tip of Point Stanhope at 56°00.69' N lat, 132°36.47' W long and south of a line from Point Stanhope to Luck Point at 55°59.05' N lat, 132°44.08' W long.

There will be no mesh size restrictions in District 6.

District 8: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 5, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 7, 2020**, with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: waters of Frederick Sound will be closed south and west of a line from a point 1.0 nautical mile (nmi) off the Kupreanof Island shoreline on the District 10 boundary at 56°57.13' N lat, 132°59.05' W long to Sukoi Island Light at 56°53.73' N lat, 132°56.64' W long to Frederick Point at 56°47.55' N lat, 132°49.27' W long, and south and east of a line from a point 1.3 nmi north of Bear Creek at 56°42.93' N lat, 132°44.53' W long to a point 500 yards north of Jap Creek on the mainland shore at 56°46.63' N lat, 132°37.09' W long;

Stikine River: waters off the Stikine River will be closed northeast of a line from a point east of Blind Slough on Mitkof Island at 56°31.88' N lat, 132°40.66' W long to a point on the small island near the eastern entrance of Blind Slough at 56°31.83' N lat, 132°40.17' W long to Two Tree Island Light at 56°29.65' N lat, 132°38.06' W long to Neal Point Light at 56°26.92' N lat, 132°36.00' W long to Ancon Point Light at 56°24.30' N lat, 132°33.32' W long to East Point at 56°22.97' N lat, 132°24.28' W long to a point on the Wrangell Island shoreline located at the latitude of East Point at 56°22.97' N lat, 132°21.42' W long;

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is six inches.

Section 11-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 5, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 7, 2020**, with the following restrictions:

Taku Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Jaw Point at 58°16.81' N lat;

Limestone Inlet: will be closed east of a line from a point on the north shore at 58°02.03' N lat, 133°59.59' W long to a point on the south shore at 58°01.72' N lat, 133°59.43' W long (outside markers);

Port Snettisham: will be closed east of a line from Point Styleman at 57°58.42' N lat, 133°53.93' W long to Point Anmer at 57°56.07' N lat, 133°51.05' W long;

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is six inches.

There will be no night closures in District 11.

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 5, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 7, 2020**, with the following restrictions:

Lynn Canal: will be closed north of the latitude of Eldred Rock Light at 58°58.25' N lat, 135°13.26' W long and west of a line from Eldred Rock Light to a point 2.0 nmi from the eastern shoreline at 58°50.80' N lat, 135°12.77' W long (the latitude of Sherman Rock);

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is six inches;

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 5, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 7, 2020**, with the following restrictions:

Lynn Canal: will be closed north of the latitude of Vanderbilt Reef Light at 58°35.46' N lat, 135°01.13' W long and west of a line from Vanderbilt Reef Light to Little Island Light at 58°32.41' N lat, 135°02.83' W long;

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is six inches;

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C: Boat Harbor terminal harvest area (THA) outer waters east of 135°09.57' W long will be open within 1.0 nmi of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Lance Point at 58°43.95' N lat, 135°13.98' W long and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°36.96' N lat, 135°08.40' W long, from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 5, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 7, 2020**, with the following restrictions:

William Henry Bay: will be closed south of 58°42.93' N lat;

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is six inches;

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C: Boat Harbor THA inner waters west of 135°09.57' W long remains open with no restrictions until further notice.

Please code all salmon harvested in the inside waters of the Boat Harbor THA to statistical area 115-12.

Please be aware that Friday, July 3, is the observed 4th of July holiday and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game offices will be closed.

Fishermen and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

All Chinook salmon harvested in the commercial drift gillnet fisheries may be retained and sold. Chinook salmon less than 28 inches in length and those of Alaska hatchery origin will not be counted against Southeast Alaska's all gear harvest limit of the Pacific Salmon Treaty. Therefore, fishermen and tenders are requested to keep Chinook salmon harvested in THAs separate from those harvested in traditional fishing areas. Separating these harvests will allow for better accounting of harvests and assist in sampling the harvests to identify Alaska hatchery-produced Chinook salmon.

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: <https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/>

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S2320.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 27 (June 28 through July 4)
Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 2, 2020

NUMBER OF SALMON

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Days Open
District 1	500	2,500	600	2,000	10,000	15,600	25	4
District 6	500	1,500	600	3,000	14,000	19,600	38	3
District 8	600	600	30	50	1,400	2,680	17	3
District 11	250	1,000	50	100	11,000	12,400	30	2
District 15	200	1,100	30	40	60,000	61,370	119	2
Total	2,050	6,700	1,310	5,190	96,400	111,650		

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	20	100	24	80	400	624
District 6	13	39	16	79	368	516
District 8	35	35	2	3	82	158
District 11	8	33	2	3	367	413
District 15	2	9	0	0	504	516

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 4,000 chum salmon

Carroll Inlet THA harvest to date: 900 Chinook salmon.

Neets Bay THA harvest to date: 2,400 Chinook and 1,400 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 2,400 Chinook and 530 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 2,400 Chinook and 14,000 chum salmon.

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