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**Advisory Announcement**  
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**SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT**

District 1

Section 1-F: **will be closed.**

District 2

District 2: **will be closed.**

District 3

District 3: **will be closed.**

District 4

District 4: **will be closed.**

District 5

District 5: **will be closed.**

District 6

District 6: **will be closed.**

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 11, 2020:**

Section 13-A: will be open in the following area:

Salisbury Sound: **will be closed.**

Fish Bay: **will be closed.**

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sister Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point at 57°30.15' N lat, 136°01.33' W long to Ninefoot Shoal Light at 57°34.83' N lat, 136°05.82' W long to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island at 57°38.40' N lat, 136°10.89' W long to the southernmost tip of Point Hogan at 57°41.38' N lat, 136°15.81' W long to the light located on the southernmost tip of Hill Island at 57°43.67' N lat, 136°16.57' W long to a point on the Chichagof Island shoreline at 57°46.13' N lat, 136°16.81' W long with the following restrictions:

Slocum Arm: will be closed south and east of 135°49.90' W long;

Klag Bay, Lake Anna, and Sister Lake: will be closed **north and east of a line from 57°36.93' N lat, 136°06.42' W long to 57°36.74' N lat, 136°05.78' W long;**

Ford Arm: will be closed **east of 136°00.03' W long.**

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50' N lat, 135°34.28' W long to Makhnati Rock Light at 57°02.16' N lat, 135°23.75' W long to Surf Rock Light at 57°01.95' N lat, 135°22.57' W long to Simpson Rock Light at 57°01.15' N lat, 135°20.71' W long to Tsaritsa Rock Light at 57°01.26' N lat, 135°19.52' W long to Silver Point at 57°00.81' N lat, 135°18.15' W long with the following restrictions:

Silver Bay: will be closed east of a line from Entry Point Light at 57°01.96' N lat, 135°15.00' W long to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°01.58' N lat, 135°14.58' W long;

Camp Coogan Bay: will be closed east of 135°14.78' W long;

Crescent Bay: will be closed in waters enclosed by a line from the east end of the John O'Connell Bridge at 57°02.87' N lat, 135°20.35' W long to The Twins Light at 57°02.06' N lat, 135°18.79' W long to the southernmost tip of Guertin Island at 57°02.20' N lat, 135°17.20' W long;

Starrigavin Bay and Mosquito Cove: will be closed **east of a line from Harbor Point at 57°07.61' N lat, 135°23.38' W long to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.83' N lat, 135°22.52' W long;**

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00' N lat and south of the latitude of Creek Point at 57°12.94' N lat;

Nakwasina Sound: will be closed north of 57°11.42' N lat;

Katlian Bay: will be closed **north and east of a line from 57°10.27' N lat, 135°20.90' W long to 57°09.67' lat, 135°20.21' W long.**

Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters: will be open east of 135°22.76' W long.

Whale Bay: will be open east of 135°03.00' W long with the following restrictions:

Small Arm: will be closed north of 56°41.94' N lat;

Great Arm: will be closed north of 56°40.72' N lat.

**The department is delaying announcing any future openings in Districts 1-7 until Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at the earliest. All indications point towards a weak, compressed pink salmon run. Harvests from the most recent opening were again poor in most areas and pink salmon sex ratios are below average and trending towards higher percentages of females. In addition, continued poor weather has reduced the department's ability to adequately assess escapement in many areas. The department will continue to assess escapement as conditions permit and provide opportunity as information develops; however, high water conditions are expected to persist for several days.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S4420.

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/>

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**Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates**  
**Statistical Week 32 (midweek)**  
**Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 9, 2020**

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**NUMBERS OF SALMON**

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<b>Area</b>	<b>Chinook</b>	<b>Sockeye</b>	<b>Coho</b>	<b>Pink</b>	<b>Chum</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Boats</b>
District 1	40	12,000	1000	95,000	5,000	113,040	22
District 2	20	1,400	1,500	185,000	3,000	190,920	35
District 3	10	1,800	3,000	180,000	12,500	197,310	35
District 4	70	10,000	1,000	90,000	7,000	108,070	18
District 6	10	1,300	800	62,000	5,000	69,110	13
District 13	0	200	2,100	120,000	17,000	139,300	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>26,700</b>	<b>9,400</b>	<b>732,000</b>	<b>49,500</b>	<b>817,750</b>	<b>158</b>

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**FISH PER BOAT**

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<b>Area</b>	<b>Chinook</b>	<b>Sockeye</b>	<b>Coho</b>	<b>Pink</b>	<b>Chum</b>	<b>Total</b>
District 1	2	545	45	4,318	227	5,138
District 2	1	40	43	5,286	86	5,455
District 3	0	51	86	5,143	357	5,637
District 4	4	556	56	5,000	389	6,004
District 6	1	100	62	4,769	385	5,316
District 13	0	6	60	3,429	486	3,980

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 50,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 2,400 Chinook and 127,500 chum salmon.

District 5: Harvest is confidential.

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