



Advisory Announcement
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2021 NAKAT INLET TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

The following information details the Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) Nakat Inlet Terminal Harvest Area (THA) commercial fishing open waters and fishing schedule for the 2021 season.

SSRAA is forecasting total runs of 321,000 summer chum, 16,400 coho, and 5,000 fall chum salmon to the Nakat Inlet THA.

The Nakat Inlet THA (101-10) consists of those waters north of Surprise Point at 54°49.10' N lat and west of 130°42.75' W long. The Nakat Inlet THA opens by regulation from June 1 to November 10 to the harvest of hatchery-produced salmon by drift gillnet and troll gear. In 2021, the Nakat Inlet THA **will be closed** to commercial salmon fishing from 12:01 a.m., Sunday, July 11, through 11:59 p.m., Saturday, July 24, for cost recovery fishing. The 500-yard stream closure regulation under 5 AAC 39.290(a)(2) will remain in effect in the Nakat Inlet THA.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restriction in the Nakat Inlet THA: Chinook salmon harvested in the troll fishery may only be retained during those periods the summer troll fishery is open to retention of Chinook salmon.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E0421.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, 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 Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/>.

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