



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 18, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 22, 2021**, with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point at 54°50.03' N lat.

District 6: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 18, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 20, 2021**, with the following restrictions:

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;

Salmon Bay: will be closed west of a line from Point Colpoys at 56°20.18' N lat, 133°11.90' W long to Rookery Island Light at 56°18.85' N lat, 133°06.34' W long to the westernmost tip of Fire Island at 56°14.04' N lat, 133°03.59' W long to a point on Prince of Wales Island at 56°14.04' N lat, 133°04.41' W long.

District 8: will be closed.

Section 11-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 18, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 21, 2021**, with the following restrictions:

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) from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 18, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 20, and will be closed east of a line from a point on the north shore at 58°02.09' N lat, 133°58.87' W long to a point on the south shore at 58°01.92' N lat, 133°58.87' W long (inside markers) from 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 20, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 21;**

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: the **minimum** allowed mesh size is six inches **south of the latitude of Circle Point at 58°07.76' N lat from 12:01 p.m., Tuesday, July 20, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 21.**

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 18, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 20, 2021**, 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 nautical miles (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 18, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 20, 2021**, with the following restriction:

Lynn Canal: will be closed north of 58°37.06' N lat and west of a line from 58°37.06' N lat, 135°00.24' W long to Little Island Light at 58°32.41' N lat, 135°02.83' W long.

Section 15-C: Boat Harbor Terminal Harvest Area (THA) outer waters east of 135°09.57' W long will be open within 2.0 nmi of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Lance Point at 58°43.95' N lat and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°36.96' N lat, from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 18, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 21, 2021**, with the following restriction:

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

There will be no mesh restriction or night closures in Section 15-C.

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

The Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery will be managed according to the District 1 Pink Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 33.360) beginning statistical week 30. The District 1 purse seine fishery is expected to receive at least two days of fishing time during statistical week 30. Therefore, the Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery will be given four days of fishing time. If the District 1 purse seine fishery is open for more than two days during statistical week 30, the fishing time in Section 1-B will be extended accordingly.

As described in April Advisory Announcements, the Nakat Inlet THA is closed to common property harvest Sunday, July 11, through Saturday, July 24, 2021, the Anita Bay THA is closed Monday, July 12, through Tuesday, August 6, 2021, and the Neets Bay THA is closed until further notice so that cost recovery fishing can take place. Cost recovery operations for the Deep Inlet THA will occur in August.

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.

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/>.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S2921.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates
 Statistical Week 29 (July 11 through July 17)
 Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 15, 2021

NUMBER OF SALMON

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Days
								Open
District 1	250	2,000	1,300	9,000	30,000	42,550	42	4
District 6	40	900	1,400	1,400	11,500	15,240	34	2
District 11	100	5,500	100	20,000	40,000	65,700	90	2
District 15	90	4,500	500	30,000	175,000	210,090	124	3
Total	480	12,900	3,300	60,400	256,500	333,580		

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	6	48	31	214	714	1,013
District 6	1	26	41	41	338	448
District 11	1	61	1	222	444	730
District 15	1	36	4	242	1,411	1,694

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 11,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 6,300 Chinook and 1,700 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 3,500 Chinook and 23,700 chum salmon.

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