



Advisory Announcement
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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #42

This announcement is intended to correct an error in the previously announced area for the Eastern District.

EASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Eastern District, **south of 61°00.00'N** will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 14-hour period, from 6:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Thursday, July 22. **Additionally, all waters of Port Gravina, north of 60° 42.56' N., and all waters of Sheep Bay, north of 60° 38.60' N will be closed to commercial fishing during this period.** Preliminary harvest estimate for the period ending yesterday, July 20 was 713,984 pink salmon with 140 deliveries reported.

Waters inside of the following Eastern District Salmon Harvest Task Force (SHTF) markers will be closed for this period to ensure early season escapement. Waters closed for this period include the following areas:

- (1) **Galena Bay:** waters east of a line from a shore marker at approximately 60°56.87' N. lat., 146°39.87' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 60°56.55' N. lat., 146°39.65' W. long.;
- (2) **Irish Cove:** south of a line from a shore marker at approximately 60°46.73' N. lat., 146°26.62' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 60°46.27' N. lat., 146°27.12' W. long.;
- (3) **Landlocked Bay:** waters north of 60°50.76' N. lat.;
- (4) **Port Fidalgo Subdistrict:** waters east of 146°24.12' W. long.

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, July 22.
The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, July 24.

Announcement recordings are available for **gillnet fisheries at 907-424-7535** and **seine fisheries at 907-424-7345.** In addition, announcement recordings are available in Anchorage at 267-2843.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address:

<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareapws.main> (Prince William Sound and Copper River homepage).

Unless otherwise specified, all openings are clock openings based on Alaska Daylight Time, which is based on Coordinated Universal Time and may be obtained by calling 303-499-7111.

The department encourages commercial permit holders to renew their licenses early and to check their CFEC vessel registration stickers to make sure they are current.

The department also encourages permit holders to report observed violations to Wildlife Safeguard at 800-478-3377. Reports are anonymous and cash rewards may be paid for successful prosecution of violations.