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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 9, 2023:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.46′ N lat, 131°18.87′ W long to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point at 55°13.03′ N lat, 131°25.18′ W long to Point Davison Light at 54°59.64′ N lat, 131°36.84′ W long, then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

<u>Boca de Quadra</u>: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point at 55°05.15′ N lat, 130°59.10′ W long to Kah Shakes Point at 55°04.26′ N lat, 130°58.80′ W long.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 9, 2023:

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Polk Island at 55°00.73′ N lat with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 9, 2023:

District 4: will be open.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 9, 2023:

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde at 56°10.43′ N lat.

District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 9, 2023:

District 10: will be open with the following restrictions:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be closed within 3.0 nautical miles (nmi) of the Admiralty Island shoreline;

<u>Frederick Sound</u>: will be closed east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light at 57°11.12′ N lat, 133°34.43′ W long' to Pinta Point at 57°05.96′ N lat, 133°52.82′ W long.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sunday, July 9, 2023:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Hanus Reef at 58°08.23′ N lat and north of the latitude of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N lat.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 9, 2023:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44′ N lat, 134°57.50′ W long to a point at 58°03.00′ N lat, 134°57.85′ W long, south of 58°03.00′ N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light);

Hidden Falls Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open within approximately 1.0 nmi of the Baranof Island shoreline in the waters of Chatham Strait south of the latitude of South Point at 57°16.28′ N lat, north of 57°06.76′ N lat, and west of a line from a point offshore at 57°16.28′ N lat, 134°49.94′ W long to a point offshore at 57°06.76′ N lat, 134°45.37′ W long with the following restriction:

Kasnyku Bay and waters of the THA outside Kasnyku Bay: will be closed south of 57°14.26′ N lat and north of 57°11.58′ N lat.

District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Sunday, July 9, through 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 12, 2023:

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76′ W long.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Carroll Inlet, Neets Bay, Anita Bay, and Hidden Falls THAs may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas (including the Kendrick Bay THA), Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 29, 2023.

When under nonretention of Chinook salmon 28 inches or larger, purse seine fishermen are encouraged to quickly release Chinook salmon in a manner that minimizes mortality. If Chinook salmon greater than 28 inches (large) are retained, the fisherman is in violation and may be issued a citation. Retained large Chinook salmon will be donated, and the fisherman may be subject to the cost associated with processing the fish for donation. On the fish ticket, the number and weight of the fish must be recorded and the disposition code "86-Donated" must be used.

Fishermen, tenders, 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.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Tuesday**, **July 11**, **2023**.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3023.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Midweek 27

Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 7, 2023

NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	700	700	106,000	53,000	160,400	28
District 2	0	800	1,100	6,000	75,000	82,900	54
Total	0	1,500	1,800	112,000	128,000	243,300	82

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Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	25	25	3,786	1,893	5,729
District 2	0	15	20	111	1,389	1,535

Carroll Inlet THA harvest to date: 4,000 Chinook salmon.

Neets Bay THA harvest to date: 2,150 Chinook and 8,800 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 2,000 Chinook salmon and 20 chum salmon.

Hidden Falls THA harvest to date: 271,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 640 Chinook salmon and 75,000 chum salmon.

Thomas Bay THA: no reported harvest.

Section 13-B: confidential.

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