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# **Advisory Announcement**

For Immediate Release: July 11, 2023

## 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., Thursday, July 13, 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 a **point on the western shore of Gravina** Island at 55°14.91′ N lat, 131°50.40′ W long (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point) 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., Thursday, July 13, 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., Thursday, July 13, 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., Thursday, July 13, 2023:

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

#### District 10

District 10: will be closed.

#### District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 13, 2023:

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

Tenakee Inlet: will be open west of a line from East Point at 57°48.33′ N lat, 134°56.92′ W long to a point at 57°46.34′ N lat, 134°56.07′ W long to South Passage Point at 57°45.85′ N lat, 134°56.32′ W long, and east of the longitude of Corner Bay Point at 135°06.67′ W long;

Hidden Falls Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open within approximately 1.0 nautical mile (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:

<u>Kasnyku Bay</u>: will be closed north and west of a line from North Point at 57°13.36′ N lat, 134°50.53′ W long to the northernmost tip of Round Island at 57°12.68′ N lat, 134°50.48′ W long to the southernmost tip of Round Island at 57°12.56′ N lat, 134°50.51′ W long to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°12.48′ N lat, 134°50.98′ W long.

### District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 13, through 8:00 p.m., Saturday, July 15, 2023:

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

#### District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 13, 2023:

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point at 58°10.27′ N lat;

Section 14-C: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline west of a line from Neck Point at 58°07.07′ N lat, 135°19.23′ W long to Spasski Island at 58°07.97′ N lat, 135°16.30′ W long.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: 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 Friday, July 14, 2023.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3223.

# Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 28 Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 11, 2023

### NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	1,800	1,500	200,000	93,000	296,300	53
District 2	0	800	800	9,000	70,000	80,600	28
District 4	0	600	500	1,500	9,000	11,600	5
District 7	0	10	0	39,000	3,600	42,610	11
District 12	0	1,300	400	75,000	23,000	99,700	16
Total	0	4,510	3,200	324,500	198,600	530,810	113

	FISH PER BOAT							
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total		
District 1	0	34	28	3,774	1,755	5,591		
District 2	0	29	29	321	2,500	2,879		
District 4	0	120	100	300	1,800	2,320		
District 7	0	1	0	3,545	327	3,874		
District 12	0	81	25	4,688	1,438	6,231		

Neets Bay THA harvest to date: 2,300 Chinook and 12,700 chum salmon.

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

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

Hidden Falls THA harvest to date: 336,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 930 Chinook and 155,000 chum salmon.

District 10, Section 13-B and Thomas Bay THA: confidential.

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