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DISTRICT 11 SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY EXTENSION

Section 11-B: will be **extended for 24 hours and will close at 12:00 noon, Friday, August 18, 2023,** with the following restrictions:

<u>Limestone Inlet</u>: will be closed east of a line from a point on the north shore at 58°02.04' N lat, 133°59.60' W long to a point on the south shore at 58°01.75' N lat, 133°59.40' W long (outside markers);

Port Snettisham: will be closed east of a line from Sharp Point at 58°00.66' N lat, 133°47.15' W long to Sentinel Point at 57°59.74' N lat, 133°45.62' W long.

Section 11-C: will be extended for 24 hours and will close at 12:00 noon, Friday, August 18, 2023.

This announcement will also be made on the fishing grounds via VHF radio on channel 10 during the morning of Thursday, August 17, 2023.

Speel Lake sockeye salmon escapement through the weir currently totals more than half the bottom end of the escapement goal range and recent high-water level has prevented an estimate of fish holding below the weir. A further extension into the Speel Arm Terminal Harvest Area could occur with as little as six hours of notice.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S6623.

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