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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, September 3, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 7, 2023, with the following restriction:

<u>Pearse and Portland Canals</u>: 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, September 3, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 7, 2023.

District 8: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 3, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 7, 2023, with the following restrictions:

<u>Frederick Sound</u>: will be closed south and west of a line from a point 1.0 nautical mile (nmi) off the Kupreanof Island shoreline on the District 10 boundary at 56°57.27′ N lat, 132°58.96′ W long to Sukoi Island Light at 56°53.73′ N lat, 132°56.64′ W long to Frederick Point at 56°47.55′ N lat, 132°49.27′ W long;

Stikine River: will be closed north and west of a line from Babbler Point at 56°29.08′ N lat, 132°17.37′ W long to Hour Point at 56°27.73′ N lat, 132°16.79′ W long, north and east of a line from Point Highfield at 56°29.34′ N lat, 132°23.36′ W long to the southern end of Liesnoi Island at 56°29.83′ N lat, 132°29.19′ W long to the southern end of Greys Island at 56°30.67′ N lat, 132°33.05′ W long to the small island near the eastern entrance of Blind Slough at 56°31.83′ N lat, 132°40.17′ W long to the nearest point on Mitkof Island at 56°31.88′ N lat, 132°40.66′ W long, and south and east of a line from the prominent point on Mitkof Island nearest Coney Island at 56°40.77′ N lat, 132°39.28′ W long to the western end of Coney Island at 56°41.62′ N lat, 132°38.92′ W long to a point 800 yards north of Japanese Creek on the mainland shore at 56°46.62′ N lat, 132°37.11′ W long.

Section 11-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 3, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, September 7, 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);

<u>Port Snettisham</u>: 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 15-A: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 3, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 6, 2023, with the following restrictions:

<u>Lutak Inlet</u>: will be closed north of a line from **Tanani Point at 59°16.39' N lat, 135°26.46' W long to Taiya Point at 59°17.27' N lat, 135°24.12' W long;**

Chilkat Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Kochu Island at 59°09.03′ N lat.

Section 15-C: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, September 3, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, September 6, 2023.

The Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery is no longer being managed under the District 1 Pink Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 33.360) and will instead be managed based on wild coho salmon run strength.

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.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1S7923.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 35 (August 27 through September 2) Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 31, 2023

NUMBER OF SALMON								
								Days
District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Open
District 1	0	900	4,800	21,700	12,500	39,900	18	5
District 6	0	900	3,000	4,000	6,000	13,900	22	4
District 8	0	20	1,400	400	1,300	3,120	17	4
District 11	0	1,500	3,000	1,000	500	6,000	18	4
District 15	5	6,000	3,200	600	9,000	18,805	43	5
Total	5	9,320	15,400	27,700	29,300	81,725		

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	50	267	1,206	694	2,217
District 6	0	41	136	182	273	632
District 8	0	1	82	24	76	184
District 11	0	83	167	56	28	333
District 15	0	140	74	14	209	437

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 313,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 1,430 Chinook and 294,000 chum salmon.

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