



**Advisory Announcement**  
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**SILVER BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA TROLL FISHERY**

This advisory announcement is issued to update information provided in the Silver Bay Terminal Harvest Area Troll Fishery announcement issued on April 25, 2024. At the request of the Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association, the waters of Bear Cove were closed to commercial salmon fishing with troll gear effective 11:59 p.m., May 14, 2024, in order to meet Chinook salmon broodstock goals at the Medvejie Creek Hatchery. This closure applies to the spring troll and terminal harvest area (THA) fishery openings. If broodstock needs are met, the specified waters of Bear Cove may reopen to trolling.

The **Silver Bay THA** commercial salmon troll fishery will open for the harvest of Chinook, coho, chum, sockeye, and pink salmon from 12:01 a.m., Saturday, June 1, through 11:59 p.m., Tuesday, July 30, unless closed by emergency order.

The Silver Bay THA (**statistical area 113-35**) consists of the waters east of a line from Entry Point Light at 57°01.96' N lat, 135°15.01' W long, to Silver Point at 57°00.80' N lat, 135°18.09' W long (Figure 1). **Troll fishery participants are advised that coordinates for Entry Point Light and Silver Point have been modified by emergency order and regulatory language is updated to more accurately reflect the location of these points.**

**The waters of Bear Cove east of a line from a point on the south shore at 57°00.63' N lat, 135°09.80' W long, to the north shore at 57°01.07' N lat, 135°09.93' W long are closed to commercial salmon troll gear as modified by emergency order (5 AAC 33.375[b]).** Waters of the Silver Bay THA that are within 500 yards of the terminus of any salmon stream are closed to salmon fishing with troll gear beginning on July 1 (5 AAC 39.290[a]).

**Statistical area 113-35 should be recorded on fish tickets** for harvest within the Silver Bay THA. Fish harvested in the THA should be separated from fish caught in other areas so that department personnel will have the opportunity to obtain biological samples. Permit holders are advised that they must offload all Chinook salmon taken in the THA prior to fishing in areas where Chinook salmon retention is prohibited. Following the closure of the Silver Bay THA, this area is managed as a traditional salmon fishery with harvest reported using statistical area 113-41.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1E1224.

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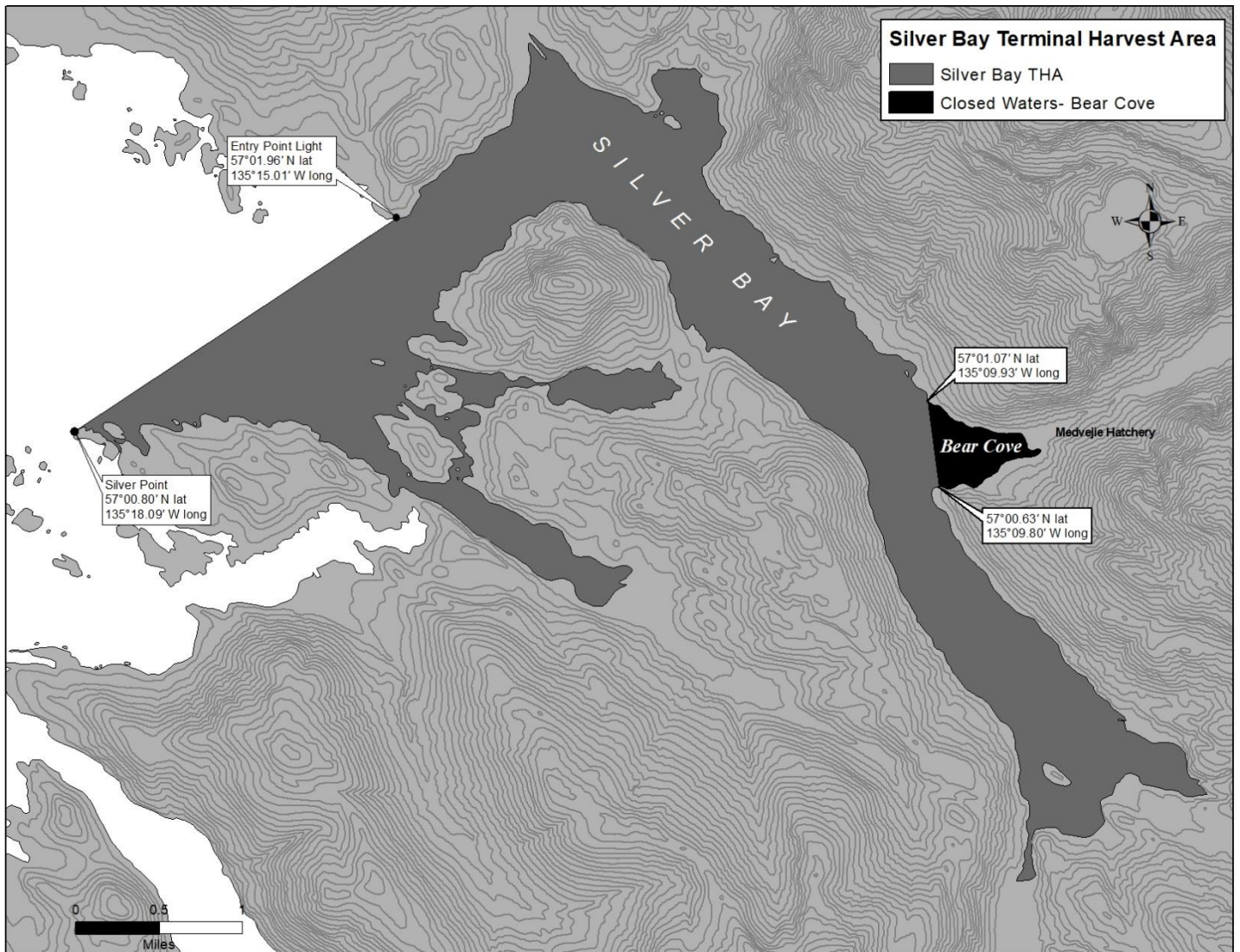


Figure 1.-Silver Bay Terminal Harvest Area.