



Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SPRING TROLL FISHERY

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announces the following information concerning the 2024 commercial spring troll fishery.

SCHEDULE OF SPRING TROLL OPENINGS

Craig area

Bucareli Bay (103-50)	June 3–4
Trocadero Bay (103-60)	June 7–8
San Alberto Bay (103-70)	June 5–6

Sitka area

Western Channel (113-01)	June 4
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	June 8
Goddard (113-31)	June 7
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32)	June 5–6
Sitka Sound (113-41)	June 2–4
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	June 5–7

Yakutat area

Yakutat Bay (183-10)	June 3
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Weekly troll openings will be announced by advisory announcement each Friday; open fishing periods may be extended by emergency order based on inseason assessment of coded wire tag data. Spring troll fishery openings begin at 12:01 a.m. and close at 11:59 p.m. **The Mountain Point and Rock Point spring troll areas will open on June 8, with additional fishery opening information detailed in the spring troll advisory announcement scheduled for June 7.** The Homeshore, Cross Sound, South Passage, and Keku Strait hatchery chum salmon areas will open on June 15 and the Northern Chatham Strait and Point Couverden hatchery chum salmon areas will open on June 17. **Chinook salmon retention is prohibited in these hatchery chum salmon fisheries. Maps of spring troll and terminal harvest areas (THA)** and additional details on the fishery are available in ADF&G area offices and on the ADF&G troll web site at:

https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_trollspring.

It is extremely important to segregate fish harvested in different fishery areas so that department personnel can collect accurate dockside sampling information. If salmon are harvested in multiple areas during a spring troll fishing trip, the vessel operator is **required to keep fish harvested in each spring fishery separated by area.** Similarly, the fish buyer is **required to create a separate fish ticket for each fishery area** that documents the dates fished, number of salmon, fishery name, and salmon statistical area number for each area fished (5 AAC 29.090[k]). Fish tickets must be submitted to ADF&G not later than 7 days after the landing.

PORT SAINT NICHOLAS SPRING TROLL/TERMINAL HARVEST AREA

The Port Saint Nicholas spring troll fishery closes on May 31 and this area will open as the Port Saint Nicholas THA on June 1. Spring and terminal areas are managed as separate fisheries, therefore, separate fish tickets are required for any salmon landing containing harvest from both fisheries and those fish tickets must identify dates fished and number of fish taken in each fishery. Fishermen are advised that the waters of the Port Saint Nicholas Special Harvest Area (SHA) east of 133°02.92'

W long are closed to common property commercial troll fisheries beginning June 1. Additional details are available in the Port Saint Nicholas Terminal Harvest Area Troll Fishery advisory announcement issued April 25.

THA troll openings will occur as follows, unless closed by emergency order. Opening and closing times vary by area, refer to the appropriate THA advisory announcements for fishery details. Chinook salmon retention is prohibited during the month of June in the Nakat Inlet, Kendrick Bay, Southeast Cove, and Thomas Bay THAs; however, Chinook salmon retention is permitted in these THAs during general summer troll Chinook salmon retention periods established under 5 AAC 29.100.

Nakat Inlet THA (101-10)	June 1–November 10
Carroll Inlet THA (101-48)	June 1–30
Neets Bay THA (101-95)	June 27–August 1
Kendrick Bay THA (102-15)	June 15–September 30
Port Saint Nicholas THA (103-63)	June 1–July 31
Anita Bay THA (107-35)	June 1–November 10
Gunnuk Creek THA (109-40)	June 1–30
Southeast Cove THA (109-41)	June 17–August 3
Thomas Bay THA (110-12)	June 16–August 3
Hidden Falls THA (112-22)	June 1–September 20
Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33)	June 1–September 20
Silver Bay THA (113-35)	June 1–July 30
Deep Inlet THA (113-38)	June 1– September 20

The waters of Bear Cove, within the Silver Bay THA, **are closed to commercial salmon fishing with troll gear.** The closed waters of the Bear Cove are defined as follows:

Waters 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.

The Emergency Orders corresponding to this announcement are EOs 1S0524 and 1S0924.

2024 Spring Chinook Harvest and Effort				
Spring Troll Area	<i>Week of 5/26 (SW 22)</i>		<i>Cumulative</i>	
	Landings	Harvest	Landings	Harvest
Bucareli Bay (103-50)	14	73	47	403
Trocadero Bay (103-60)	*	*	23	129
Port Saint Nicholas (103-63)	7	43	39	250
San Alberto Bay (103-70)	13	77	56	409
Western Channel (113-01)	23	269	23	269
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	0	0	54	806
Goddard (113-31)	0	0	0	0
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32)	*	*	*	*
Sitka Sound (113-41)	43	436	176	2,093
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	6	69	32	453
Yakutat Bay (183-10)	5	30	33	202
Totals for Region	111	997	483	5,014

*Data are confidential and excluded when harvest for fewer than 3 permits is reported

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