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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, June 29, 2025:

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

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nautical miles (nmi) of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44' N lat, 134°57.50' W long to a point at 58°03.00' N lat, 134°57.85' W long, south of 58°03.00' N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63' N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light);

Hidden Falls Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open within approximately 1.0 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 west of a line from 57°13.18' N lat, 134°51.89' W long to **57°12.99' N lat, 134°51.96'** W long, and southwest of a line from 57°12.99' N lat, 134°51.96' W long to 57°12.90' N lat, 134°51.51' W long to 57°12.65' N lat, 134°51.51' W long.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Carroll Inlet, Anita Bay, Southeast Cove, 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, 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 may be in effect until at least the third week of July.

In areas 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.

## The Deep Inlet THA will close to all common property harvest from June 29 through August 2 to allow for cost recovery operations to take place. Please refer to the Deep Inlet THA advisory announcement issued on April 15 for more details.

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 Tuesday, July 1, 2025.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S2025.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Midweek 26 Preliminary Estimates Compiled June 27, 2025											
NUMBERS OF SALMON											
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats				
Pt. Augusta	*	*	*	*	*	*	*				
			FISH PE	R BOAT							
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total					
Pt. Augusta	*	*	*	*	*	*					

\*Harvest is confidential.

The Point Augusta Index Fishery average harvest per boat of pink salmon was below recent 10-year average (2015-2024) while chum salmon was above average.

Thomas Bay THA: confidential.

Carroll Inlet THA harvest to date: 1,650 Chinook salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 730 Chinook and 40 chum salmon.

Southeast Cove THA harvest to date: 190 Chinook and 11,000 chum salmon.

Hidden Falls THA harvest to date: 250 Chinook and 84,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 1,400 Chinook and 56,000 chum salmon.

Advisory Announcement web site: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main</u>.

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