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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Section 1-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 6, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 10, 2025, with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: 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, July 6, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 10, 2025, with the following restriction:

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is 6 inches.

District 8: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 6, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 10, 2025, with the following restrictions:

<u>Section 8-A</u>: will be closed south of a line from Horn Cliffs at 56°50.61' N lat, 132°47.31' W long to a point on McDonald Island at 56°50.75' N lat, 132°49.25' W long and south and west of a line from a point on McDonald Island at 56°50.75' N lat, 132°49.25' W long to Sukoi Islets Light at 56°53.73' N lat, 132°56.64' W long to 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;

<u>Section 8-B</u>: will be closed east of a line from Craig Point Light at 56°27.40' N lat, 132°42.95' W long to a point on Mitkof Island at 56°30.41' N lat, 132°44.88' W long;

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is 6 inches.

Section 11-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 6, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 9, 2025, 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 Point Styleman at 57°58.42' N lat, 133°53.93' W long to Point Anmer at 57°56.09' N lat, 133°51.01' W long.

Section 15-A: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 6, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 8, 2025, with the following restrictions:

Lynn Canal: will be closed north of the latitude of **Ayiklutu Point at 59°04.93' N lat, 135°18.48' W long** and west of a line from **Ayiklutu Point to** Eldred Rock Light at 58°58.25' N lat, 135°13.26' W long to a point 2.0 nmi from the eastern shoreline at 58°50.80' N lat, 135°12.77' W long (the latitude of Sherman Rock);

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is 6 inches;

<u>Night closure</u>: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 6, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 8, 2025, with the following restrictions:

Lynn Canal (excluding the Boat Harbor Terminal Harvest Area [THA]): will be closed north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°36.96' N lat (Boat Harbor THA southern line);

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is 6 inches;

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m.**, **Sunday**, **July 6**, **through 12:00 noon**, **Wednesday**, **July 9**, **2025**, in the waters of the Boat Harbor THA within **2.0** nmi of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Lance Point at 58°43.95' N lat and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°36.96' N lat, with the following restrictions:

William Henry Bay: will be closed south of 58°42.93' N lat;

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is 6 inches;

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C: the Boat Harbor THA will remain open until further notice in the waters of Boat Harbor west of 135°09.57' W long, with no restrictions.

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.

All Chinook salmon harvested in the commercial drift gillnet fisheries may be retained and sold. Chinook salmon less than 28 inches in length and those of Alaska hatchery origin will not be counted against Southeast Alaska's all gear harvest limit of the Pacific Salmon Treaty. Therefore, fishermen and tenders are requested to keep Chinook salmon harvested in THAs separate from those harvested in traditional fishing areas. Separating these harvests will allow for better accounting of harvests and assist in sampling the harvests to identify Alaska hatchery-produced Chinook salmon.

Please be aware that the Alaska Department of Fish and Game offices will be closed Friday, July 4, for the Independence Day Holiday.

The next gillnet announcement will be issued on Thursday, July 10, 2025.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1S2625.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 27 (June 29 through July 5) Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 3, 2025

NUMBER OF SALMON

								Days
District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Open
District 1	140	1,000	150	6,000	60,000	67,290	30	4
District 6	100	5,500	600	11,000	30,000	47,200	34	4
District 8	70	1,400	10	50	700	2,230	7	4
District 11	350	3,000	100	1,000	68,000	72,450	50	3
District 15	240	2,500	220	550	120,000	123,510	127	3
Total	900	13,400	1,080	18,600	278,700	312,680		
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FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	5	33	5	200	2,000	2,243
District 6	3	162	18	324	882	1,389
District 8	10	200	1	7	100	318
District 11	7	60	2	20	1,360	1,449
District 15	2	20	2	4	945	973

Carroll Inlet THA harvest to date: 1,100 Chinook salmon.

Nakat Inlet THA harvest to date: 60,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 3,000 Chinook and 500 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 2,100 Chinook and 23,000 chum salmon.

Southeast Cove THA harvest to date: confidential.

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

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