



Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SUMMER TROLL FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The commercial troll fishery **will close to the retention of Chinook salmon at 11:59 p.m., Friday, July 4, 2025.** The current harvest target for the first Chinook salmon retention period of 37,700 Chinook salmon is expected to be reached by this time.

All Chinook salmon must be offloaded following the troll closure and prior to operating troll gear for other salmon species or fishing in Terminal Harvest Areas (THA). All processors and trollers are required to submit fish tickets to the department not later than seven days after the fish are offloaded from the vessel. A freezer catcher–processor (FAS) that retains coho salmon onboard after the Chinook salmon fishery closure must submit a fish ticket to the department not later than seven days after offloading those Chinook salmon. The ticket must include an estimate of the number and pounds of other salmon species that remain onboard the vessel and a notation that estimated fish have not been offloaded.

Trollers are reminded that the **waters of frequent high king salmon abundance**, described in 5 AAC 29.025 and the attached map (Figure 1), **will be closed to trolling for salmon** for the remainder of the season beginning at **11:59 p.m., July 4.** Fishery participants are advised that coordinates for the high abundance area located off Yakobi Island have been modified by emergency order for 2025 to reflect regulatory coordinates in place prior to the 2024 summer troll season. This area is described in 5 AAC 29.025(a)(3) as follows:

waters off the west coast of Yakobi Island between the latitude of a point south of Yakobi Rock at 58°05.00' N lat, and the latitude of a point north of Cape Cross at 57°55.00' N lat, to a distance of 1.0 nautical mile from the main shoreline of Yakobi Island.

TERMINAL HARVEST AREAS

Following the closure of the first retention period, Chinook salmon 28 inches and greater may be retained in select areas as outlined in THA advisory announcements issued for the following areas, unless closed by emergency order:

The **Herring Bay THA** (101-40) is open to troll gear for retention of all salmon species through August 30. The **Anita Bay THA** (107-35) is open to troll gear for retention of all salmon species through November 10. The **Port Saint Nicholas THA** (103-63) is open to troll gear for retention of all salmon species through July 31. The **Deep Inlet THA** (113-38) will be open to troll gear from August 3 through August 9 for retention of all salmon species and will follow the gear rotational schedule published in the Deep Inlet advisory announcement. The **Silver Bay THA** (113-35) is open to troll gear for retention of all salmon species through July 30.

The **Neets Bay THA** (101-95) is open to troll gear west of the closed waters at the head of the bay and east of the longitude of Chin Point through July 31. **The Neets Bay THA is closed to Chinook salmon retention and possession for vessels operating commercial troll gear within the Neets Bay THA**, however, a vessel may transit through those waters to offload Chinook salmon to tenders located within the bay, if troll gear is not deployed from that vessel.

Chinook salmon retention is prohibited by vessels operating troll gear in the **Port Armstrong** (109-11), **Mist Cove** (109-13), **Southeast Cove** (109-41), **Thomas Bay** (110-12), **Hidden Falls** (112-22), and **Crawfish Inlet** (113-33) THAs following the closure of the summer Chinook salmon retention period at 11:59 p.m., July 4.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1S2825.

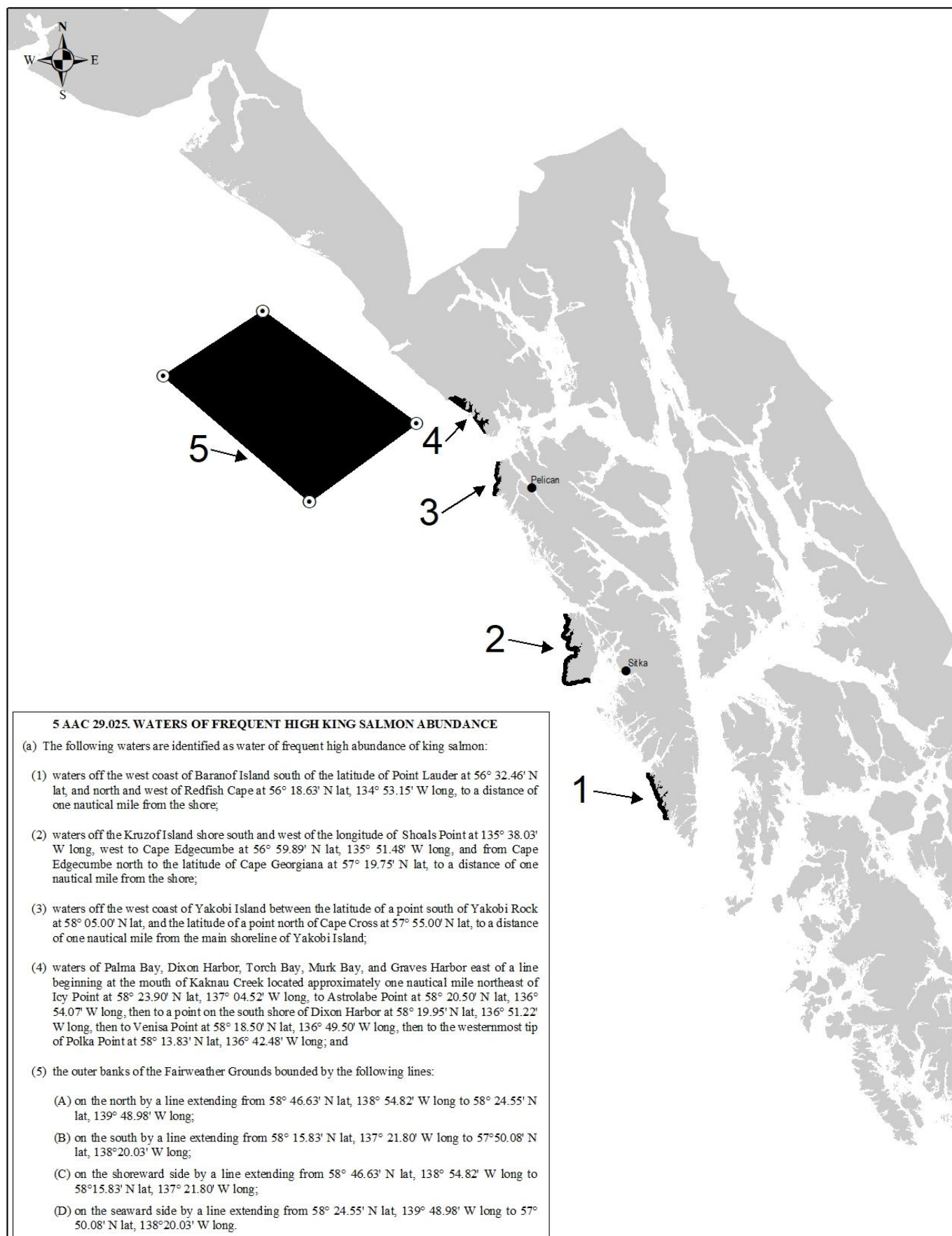


Figure 1.— Waters of frequent high king salmon abundance closed to salmon trolling following the closure of the first summer Chinook salmon retention period.

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