



**Advisory Announcement**  
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**Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #29**

**SEINE FISHERIES:** VFDA cost recovery is expected to be completed today. Continued strong run entry into Port Valdez may warrant unscheduled fishing periods.

Aerial surveys of all purse seine districts are ongoing, and stream escapements are within anticipated ranges for this time frame. At this time, wild stocks may sustain a regular fishing schedule.

Accurate reporting and separation of fish between districts are necessary to evaluate fisheries performance properly and facilitate harvest sampling.

**5 AAC 24.350 Closed Waters.** Unless otherwise specified, all regulatory closed waters and anadromous stream closures are in effect.

**EASTERN DISTRICT:** Waters of the Eastern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 16-hour period, from 5:00 am until 9:00 pm, on Tuesday, July 15. **Waters of Port Valdez east of a diagonal line from 146° 19.00'W., 61° 5.00 N', to 146° 16.00'W., 61° 7.00 N', will be CLOSED to commercial fishing during this period.** Regulatory closed waters and anadromous stream closures north of a line from Potato Point to Entrance Point will not be in effect during this fishing period.

Waters within 200 yards of the AMHS Valdez Ferry Terminal are closed to commercial fishing when the ferry is arriving and departing. All waters of the Valdez small boat harbors and within 50 yards of the entrance to the harbors are closed to commercial fishing. Waters within the Alyeska Marine Terminal (Trans-Alaska Pipeline System) Security Zone are closed to commercial fishing.

The preliminary harvest estimate for Sunday, July 13, was 2.12 million pink salmon, with 236 deliveries reported. Otolith contribution estimates for the fishing period on Thursday, July 10, was 100% SGH.

**Waters inside the following Eastern District Salmon Harvest Task Force (SHTF) markers will be closed to commercial fishing during this period to ensure early season escapement:**

- (1) **Jack Bay:** south and east of a line from a shore marker at approximately 61°02.34' N. lat., 146°35.27' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 61°02.17' N. lat., 146°39.77' W. long.;
- (2) **Sawmill Bay:** north of a line from a shore marker at approximately 61°02.71' N. lat., 146°46.44' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 61°02.58' N. lat., 146°47.07' W. long.
- (3) **Galena Bay:** east of a line from a shore marker at approximately 60°56.87' N. lat., 146°39.87' W. long. to a shore marker at approximately 60°56.55' N. lat., 146°39.65' W. long.;

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**Waters inside the following Northern District Salmon Harvest Task Force (SHTF) markers will be closed to commercial fishing during this period to ensure early season escapement:**

- The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, July 16.**

**The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, July 16.**

Announcement recordings are available for gillnet fisheries at 907-424-7535 and seine fisheries at 907-424-7345. In addition, announcement recordings are available in Anchorage at 907-267-2843.