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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SUMMER TROLL FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Southeast Alaska/Yakutat (SEAK) commercial troll fishery will open for a second Chinook salmon retention period of the general summer season in early August, with additional fishery information to be announced in a future advisory announcement. The number of Chinook salmon remaining on the annual troll allocation following the first summer retention period is insufficient to allow for a competitive second retention period. Alternatively, the department will open a Limited Harvest Fishery (LHF) in August to harvest the remaining annual troll allocation under the new provisions of 5 AAC 29.100(c)(2)(D) adopted during the 2025 SEAK Board of Fisheries meeting.

In order to maximize the number of Chinook salmon allocated per permit during a LHF, the department is requiring all troll permit holders who wish to retain Chinook salmon during a LHF period to register with the department.

Permit holders wishing to retain Chinook salmon during the Limited Harvest troll fishery must submit completed registration forms to the department by 12:00 noon, August 1, 2025.

A physical or electronic copy of the completed LHF registration form that has been endorsed by department staff must be possessed on board the vessel at all times when Chinook salmon are retained and in possession from a LHF. A copy of the LHF registration form is available in area offices and online on the troll webpage at: *https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon trollsummer.* Contact the commercial fisheries staff in Sitka at (907) 747-6688 for questions or assistance with the registration process.

After August 1 and prior to the fishery, the department will announce the number of Chinook salmon to be allocated per permit, the retention period dates for the 10-day LHF, as well as additional regulatory provisions of the LHF.

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

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