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SOUTHEAST COVE TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

The following information details the Northern Southeast Alaska Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) commercial fishing schedules in the Southeast Cove Terminal Harvest Area (THA) for the 2025 season. NSRAA has forecasted a total run of 587,000 summer chum and 550 Chinook salmon to the Southeast Cove THA. A portion of the runs may be harvested in common property fisheries in Chatham Strait.

Purse seine: will be open from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 20, 2025.

Drift gillnet: will be open from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 25, 2025.

Troll: will be open from 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday, from Monday, July 21, 2025, through Saturday, July 26, 2025.

Chum salmon cost recovery occurred in the Southeast Cove THA beginning Monday, July 7, 2025. An opening to common property fisheries is warranted in the Southeast Cove THA due to a buildup of hatchery chum salmon within the THA. If closures or additional openings are warranted, they will be announced by advisory announcement. Trollers are advised that cost recovery operations may be conducted at times within the THA.

Statistical area 109-41 should be recorded on fish tickets for harvest within the Southeast Cove THA.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for the Southeast Cove THA: Chinook salmon retention is permitted in the troll fishery only during general summer troll Chinook salmon retention periods established under 5 AAC 29.100; trollers may retain and sell only those Chinook salmon that are 28 inches or greater in length. Chinook salmon caught in the purse seine fishery 28 inches or greater in length may be retained and sold and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the drift gillnet fishery may be retained and sold.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E2125.

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