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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #50

SEINE FISHERIES: PWSAC began its cost recovery sales program on July 27 and harvested approximately 77% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal through August 16. Cost recovery fishing continues today. Industry sampling of pink salmon harvest from WNH, AFK, and CCH on August 15 was 40%, 37%, and 37% female, respectively. Hatchery sampling of pink salmon harvest from AFK today yielded 36% female.

VFDA began its egg take on August 4 and, as of August 15, had completed 40% of its egg take goal. Egg take continues today.

Aerial surveys of all purse seine districts are complete now, and final escapement estimates will be updated post-season.

EASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Eastern District, south of a line from Potato Point to Entrance Point, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Monday, August 18.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Northwestern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, Monday, August 18.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Southeastern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Monday, August 18.

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Tuesday, August 19. The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Wednesday, August 20.

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.