



Advisory Announcement

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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #51

SEINE FISHERIES: PWSAC began its cost recovery sales program on July 27 and harvested approximately 88% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal through August 18. Cost recovery fishing continues today. Hatchery sampling of pink salmon harvest from AFK and CCH on August 18 was 43% and 34% female, respectively.

VFDA began its egg take on August 4 and, as of August 18, had completed 50% 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.

Recent contribution estimates are as follows:

- Eastern District on August 14: 54% SGH, 41% wild, and 5% CCH
- Montague District on August 14: 39% wild, 21% CCH, 20% SGH, 13% AFK, and 8% WNH

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 Wednesday, August 20. Preliminary harvest from the period occurring on Monday, August 18, was 980,000 pink, 25,200 coho, and 24,800 chum salmon from 132 reported deliveries.

NORTHERN DISTRICT: Waters of Hidden Bay, west of the longitude of 148°06.10' W., will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Wednesday, August 20. Anadromous stream closures within Hidden Bay will not be in effect during this fishing period.

COGHILL DISTRICT: Waters of the Coghill District, excluding the Esther Subdistrict and WNH THA and SHA, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Wednesday, August 20. Anadromous stream closures within the Granite Bay Subdistrict will not be in effect for this period.

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, Wednesday, August 20. Preliminary harvest from the period occurring on Monday, August 18, was 106,000 pink, 1,290 coho, and 345 chum salmon from 18 reported deliveries.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Southwestern District, excluding the San Juan and Point Elrington Subdistricts and AFK THA and SHA, will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period,

from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Wednesday, August 20. Anadromous stream closures south of the latitude of 60°09.10' N. will not be in effect for this period.

MONTAGUE DISTRICT: Waters of the Montague District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Wednesday, August 20.

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 Wednesday, August 20.

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Thursday, August 21.

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.