



Advisory Announcement
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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #60

GILLNET FISHERIES: This announcement supersedes the previously announced area in the Coghill District. Based on PWSAC's recommendation, the open area within the Coghill District is being expanded to include the Esther Subdistrict.

COGHILL DISTRICT: The Coghill District, excluding the WNH SHA and THA, will open to commercial **drift gillnet** harvest for a 24-hour fishing period starting at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, September 1.

SEINE FISHERIES: PWSAC began its cost recovery sales program on July 27 and harvested approximately 91% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal through August 22. Cost recovery fishing has been suspended at all facilities to begin broodstock recruitment; cost recovery may continue once brood is secured; at this time there is insufficient brood at all facilities.

VFDA completed pink salmon egg take on August 28. At this time VFDA has not secured any coho salmon from brood. Future fishing opportunity targeting SGH coho salmon will depend on run strength and brood recruitment.

Preliminary harvest from the fishing periods occurring on August 30 are as follows:

- Eastern District: 37,900 pink salmon with 7 deliveries reported
- Northern District: 131,000 pink salmon with 14 deliveries reported
- Coghill District: No harvest reported
- Southwestern District: 25,300 pink salmon with 5 deliveries reported
- Montague District: Confidential
- Southeastern District: No reported harvest

EASTERN DISTRICT: Waters of the Eastern District will open to commercial purse seine fishing for a 12-hour period, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm, on Tuesday, September 2. Waters of Port Valdez east of the longitude of 146° 30.00 W. 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.**

The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated at 2:00 pm Tuesday, September 2.
The next scheduled gillnet fisheries announcement is anticipated at 2:00 pm Wednesday, September 3.

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.