



Advisory Announcement
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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, June 21, 2026:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nautical miles (nmi) of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44' N lat, 134°57.50' W long to a point at 58°03.00' N lat, 134°57.85' W long, south of 58°03.00' N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63' N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light);

Hidden Falls Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open within approximately 1.0 nmi of the Baranof Island shoreline in the waters of Chatham Strait south of the latitude of South Point at 57°16.28' N lat, north of 57°06.76' N lat, and west of a line from a point offshore at 57°16.28' N lat, 134°49.94' W long to a point offshore at 57°06.76' N lat, 134°45.37' W long with the following restriction:

Kasnyku Bay: will be closed west of a line from 57°13.18' N lat, 134°51.89' W long to 57°12.99' N lat, 134°51.96' W long, and southwest of a line from 57°12.99' N lat, 134°51.96' W long to 57°12.90' N lat, 134°51.51' W long to 57°12.65' N lat, 134°51.51' W long.

The Hidden Falls Hatchery, operated by the Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA), expects a total run of 409,000 chum salmon. An estimated 200,000 chum salmon will be needed for broodstock. NSRAA will not be conducting cost recovery operations within the Hidden Falls THA this year; however, time and area restrictions may be necessary to conserve chum salmon for broodstock. The contraction of the offshore boundary of the Hidden Falls THA to within approximately 1.0 nmi off the Baranof Island shoreline is for conservation of Chinook and pink salmon.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Carroll Inlet, Anita Bay, and Hidden Falls THAs may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions may be in effect until at least the third week of July.

In areas under nonretention of Chinook salmon 28 inches or larger, purse seine fishermen are encouraged to quickly release Chinook salmon in a manner that minimizes mortality. If Chinook salmon greater than 28 inches (large) are retained, the fisherman is in violation and may be issued a citation. Retained large Chinook salmon will be donated, and the fisherman may be subject to the cost associated with processing the fish for donation. On the fish ticket, the number and weight of the fish must be recorded and the disposition code "70-Donated-nonretention-state fishery" must be used.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

Fishers are reminded that a completed fish ticket must be submitted to ADF&G before fish are transported out of state waters. Alaska vessels entering Canadian waters or ports must abide by the requirements in the annual Fishery Notice from Fisheries Oceans Canada (DFO) to obtain licenses or make hail notifications. The Fishery Notice is updated and renewed each calendar year in January, and can be searched at <https://notices.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fns-sap/index-eng.cfm> or by searching “DFO Fishery Notice” in any search engine. Once on the DFO Fishery Notice website, enter “foreign fishing vessels” in the keyword search.

The Anita Bay, Carroll Inlet, and Deep Inlet THAs opened for purse seining on June 1, and the Thomas Bay THA will open on June 21. For specific open times and area for these THAs, refer to the advisory announcements released in April.

Management and action plans for the 2026 season are posted online at:
<https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon#management>

The next seine announcement will be issued on or before **Tuesday, June 23, 2026.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S1026.

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