



Advisory Announcement
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SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SPRING TROLL FISHERY

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announces the following information concerning the 2026 commercial spring troll fishery.

SCHEDULE OF SPRING TROLL OPENINGS

Ketchikan Area

Mountain Point (101-45) June 27–30
Rock Point (101-46) June 27–30

Craig area

Bucareli Bay (103-50) June 27–30
Trocadero Bay (103-60) June 27–28
San Alberto Bay (103-70) June 29–30

Sitka area

Western Channel (113-01) June 29
Redoubt Bay (113-30) June 29–30
Goddard (113-31) June 30
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32) June 27–28
Sitka Sound (113-41) June 27–30
Salisbury Sound (113-62) June 28–30

Icy Strait/Northern Chatham/Keku Strait hatchery chum salmon areas

Keku Strait (109-42) June 15–30 *closed to Chinook salmon retention*
Cross Sound (114-21) June 15–30 *closed to Chinook salmon retention*
South Passage (114-23) June 15–30 *closed to Chinook salmon retention*
Homeshore (114-25) June 15–30 *closed to Chinook salmon retention*
Point Couverden (114-26) June 29–30 *pink and chum salmon retention only*
Northern Chatham Strait (112-16) June 29–30 *pink and chum salmon retention only*

Yakutat area

Yakutat Bay (183-10) CLOSED

This will be the final spring troll advisory announcement for 2026. Spring troll fishery openings begin at 12:01 a.m. and close at 11:59 p.m. Trollers are reminded that Chinook salmon retention is prohibited in hatchery chum salmon fisheries.

It is extremely important to segregate fish harvested in different fishery areas so that department personnel can collect accurate dockside sampling information. If salmon are harvested in multiple areas during a spring troll fishing trip, the vessel operator is **required to keep fish harvested in each spring fishery separate** from any other fish on board the vessel. Similarly, the fish buyer is **required to create a separate fish ticket for each fishery area** that documents the dates fished, number of salmon, fishery name, and salmon statistical area number for each area fished (5 AAC 29.090[k]). Fish tickets must be submitted to ADF&G not later than 7 days after the landing.

Retention of lingcod bycatch in the salmon troll fishery opened May 16. For information on groundfish bycatch allowances in the spring troll fishery, permit holders should refer to the “Groundfish Bycatch in the 2026 Salmon Troll Fishery” advisory announcement issued on January 2, 2026, or contact Groundfish Staff in Sitka at 907-747-6688.

THA troll openings will occur as follows, unless closed by emergency order. Opening and closing times vary by area, **refer to the appropriate THA advisory announcements for fishery details and cost recovery closure dates**. Chinook salmon retention is prohibited during the month of June in the Nakat Inlet, Neets Bay, Burnett Inlet, and Thomas Bay THAs; however, Chinook salmon retention is permitted in Nakat Inlet, Burnett Inlet, and Thomas Bay THAs during general summer troll Chinook salmon retention periods established under 5 AAC 29.100.

Nakat Inlet THA (101-10)	June 1–November 10
Carroll Inlet THA (101-48)	June 1–30
Neets Bay THA (101-95)	June 27–July 31
Kendrick Bay THA (102-15)	CLOSED until further notice
Burnett Inlet (106-25)	June 27– November 10
Port Saint Nicholas THA (103-63)	June 1–July 31
Anita Bay THA (107-35)	June 1–November 10
Little Port Walter THA (109-10)	June 1–June 30
Gunnuk Creek THA (109-40)	June 1–June 30
Southeast Cove THA (109-41)	June 1–June 30
Thomas Bay THA (110-12)	June 21–August 8
Hidden Falls THA (112-22)	July 1–September 20
Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33)	June 1–September 20
Silver Bay THA (113-35)	June 1–July 30
Deep Inlet THA (113-38)	June 1–27

Crawfish Inlet THA

The waters of the Crawfish Inlet Special Harvest Area (SHA) east of 135°11.05' W long are open to commercial salmon fishing with troll gear until closed by emergency order in late July. The troll fishery will remain open continuously in the troll exclusive area outside the waters of the SHA through September 20, unless closed by emergency order.

Silver Bay THA

Trollers are reminded that the waters of Bear Cove, within the Silver Bay THA, are closed to commercial salmon fishing with troll gear. The closed waters of Bear Cove are defined as follows:

Waters east of a line from a point on the south shore at 57°00.77' N lat, 135°09.08' W long, to the north shore at 57°00.94' N lat, 135°09.23' W long.

Port Saint Nicholas THA

The waters of the Port Saint Nicholas SHA, within the Port Saint Nicholas THA, are open to commercial salmon fishing with troll gear east of 133°02.92' W long. Additional details are available in the Port Saint Nicholas THA troll fishery advisory announcement issued April 15.

The 2026 Summer Troll Fishery Management Plan is available at ADF&G area offices and the troll website at:

http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_trollsummer.

The Emergency Orders corresponding to this announcement are EOs 1S0226, 1S2226.

2026 Spring Chinook Harvest and Effort				
Spring Troll Area	<i>Week of 6/21 (SW 26)</i>		<i>Cumulative</i>	
	Landings	Harvest	Landings	Harvest
Mountain Point (101-45)	22	429	81	1,400
Rock Point (101-46)	3	57	15	264
Carroll Inlet THA (101-48)	0	0	*	*
Bucareli Bay (103-50)	5	35	58	516
Trocadero Bay (103-60)	0	0	43	337
Port Saint Nicholas (103-63)	CLOSED		41	404
Port Saint Nicholas THA (103-63)	14	91	56	463
San Alberto Bay (103-70)	*	*	59	446
Anita Bay THA (107-35)	0	0	7	43
Gunnuk Creek THA (109-40)	*	*	6	67
Western Channel (113-01)	*	*	21	218
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	*	*	58	534
Goddard (113-31)	*	*	19	96
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32)	0	0	4	27
Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33)	0	0	15	287
Silver Bay THA (113-35)	13	272	45	795
Sitka Sound (113-41)	48	711	356	5,066
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	3	10	79	971
Yakutat Bay (183-10)	0	0	56	248
Totals for Region	108	1,605	1,019	12,182

*Data are confidential when harvest for fewer than 3 permits is reported.

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