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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.46' N lat, 131°18.87' W long to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point at 55°13.03' N lat, 131°25.18' W long to a point on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55°14.91' N lat, 131°50.40' W long (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point), then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point at 55°05.15' N lat, 130°59.10' W long to Kah Shakes Point at 55°04.26' N lat, 130°58.80' W long;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55°07.75' N lat.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of Figgins Point at 55°33.14' N lat and north of the latitude of Approach Point at 55°26.51' N lat and south of the latitude of the northern tip of Windy Point at 55°13.10' N lat with the following restrictions:

Moira Sound: will be closed west of the longitude of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage at 132°00.35' W long;

Cholmondeley Sound: all waters will be closed;

Cleveland Peninsula: will be closed within 3.0 nautical miles (nmi) of the mainland shoreline;

Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, Twelve Mile Arm, and contiguous waters: will be closed west of the longitude of the northwestern tip of Island Point at 132°10.35' W long.

District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

Section 3-A: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Webster Point at 54°58.28' N lat with the following restrictions:

Dall Island Shore: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62' N lat, 132°58.33' W long to Shoe Island Light at 54°57.07' N lat, 132°44.68' W long to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54°43.80' N lat, 132°41.83' W long;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point at 132°31.62' W long;

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.43' N lat, 132°24.86' W long to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island at 54°53.16' N lat, 132°24.56' W long to a point on Prince of Wales Island at 54°49.67' N lat, 132°20.50' W long.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the Cape Lynch Light at 55°46.87' N lat, 133°42.10' W long to the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55°32.04' N lat, 133°27.35' W long to Point Arboleda at 55°19.10' N lat, 133°27.81' W long with the following restrictions:

Port Asumcion: will be closed north and west of a line from Point Cosinas at 55°21.80' N lat, 133°30.64' W long to a point west of Point Maria located at 55°22.04' N lat, 133°30.26' W long;

Portillo Channel: will be closed north of a line from the southernmost tip of Point Amargura at 55°27.00' N lat, 133°21.64' W long to Arrecife Point at 55°26.93' N lat, 133°25.90' W long and south of a line from the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55°32.04' N lat, 133°27.35' W long to Point Delgada at 55°30.81' N lat, 133°28.76' W long.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

District 4: will be open.

District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

District 5: will be open south of a line from Point Amelius at 56°11.83' N lat, 133°54.35' W long to the westernmost Barrier Island at 56°12.82' N lat, 133°40.67' W long then due east to Prince of Wales Island; and north of a line from Cape Decision Light at 56°00.09' N lat, 134°08.16' W long to Cape Pole at 55°57.41' N lat, 133°48.89' W long with the following restrictions:

Trout Creek: will be closed east of a line from 56°02.13' N lat, 133°43.28' W long to 56°04.00' N lat, 133°42.08' W long;

Shipley Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of 133°37.80' W long;

Affleck Canal: will be closed north of the latitude of 56°08.43' N lat.

District 6

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

Section 6-E: will be open east and north of a line from the easternmost tip of Stanhope Island at 56°01.41' N lat, 132°35.66' W long to Kelp Point at 55°57.70' N lat, 132°27.10' W long with the following restrictions:

Burnett Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude and east of the longitude of the southernmost tip of Fawn Island at 56°03.10' N lat, 132°29.88' W long;

Mosman Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Marble Point at 56°04.29' N lat;

McHenry Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of 132°26.25' W long;

Stikine Strait: will be closed.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

Section 9-B: will be open south of the latitude of Washington Bay Light at 56°43.11' N lat with the following restrictions:

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.47' N lat, 134°17.26' W long to 56°39.10' N lat, 134°16.63' W long;

Bay of Pillars: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis at 56°33.93' N lat, 134°19.13' W long, to Point Ellis Light at 56°34.00' N lat, 134°19.99' W long, to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.61' N lat, 134°16.75' W long;

Tebenkof Bay: will be closed east of a line from the southern tip of Point Ellis at 56°33.18' N lat, 134°19.06' W long, to Point Cosmos at 56°21.18' N lat, 134°17.54' W long;

Port Malmesbury: will be closed east of the longitude of 134°14.80' W long.

District 11

Section 11-A: will be closed.

District 12

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

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

Point Augusta: will be open within 1.0 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°03.38' N lat 134°58.12' W long, south of 58°03.38' 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);

Tenakee Inlet: will be open west of a line from East Point at 57°48.33' N lat, 134°56.92' W long to a point at 57°46.34' N lat, 134°56.07' W long to South Passage Point at 57°45.85' N lat, 134°56.32' W long, and east of the longitude of Corner Bay Point at 135°06.67' W long.

District 13

Necker Bay: will be closed.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2026:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: Lisianski Inlet will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point at 58°06.33' N lat, 136°29.86' W long to the westernmost tip of Column Point at 58°07.21' N lat, 136°26.88' W long, and Lisianski Strait will be open north of the latitude of 57°50.97' N lat.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point at 57°30.15' N lat, 136°01.33' W long to Ninefoot Shoal Light at 57°34.83' N lat, 136°05.81' W long to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island at 57°38.40' N lat, 136°10.89' W long to the southernmost tip of Point Hogan at 57°41.38' N lat, 136°15.81' W long to the light located on the southernmost tip of Hill Island at 57°43.65' N lat, 136°16.60' W long to a point on the Chichagof Island shoreline at 57°46.13' N lat, 136°16.81' W long with the following restrictions:

Slocum Arm and Ford Arm: will be closed east of the longitude of 135°59.97' W long;

Klag Bay, Lake Anna, and Sisters Lake: will be closed north and east of a line from 57°36.93' N lat, 136°06.42' W long to 57°36.74' N lat, 136°05.78' W long;

Black Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of 136°08.31' W long.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.52' N lat, 135°34.25' W long to Makhnati Rock Light at 57°02.16' N lat, 135°23.79' W long to Surf Rock Light at 57°01.92' N lat, 135°22.59' W long to Simpson Rock Light at 57°01.15' N lat, 135°20.75' W long to Tsaritsa Rock Light at 57°01.24' N lat, 135°19.48' W long to Silver Point at 57°00.80' N lat, 135°18.09' W long with the following restrictions:

Silver Bay: will be closed east of a line from the Entry Point Light at 57°01.96' N lat, 135°15.01' W long to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°01.59' N lat, 135°14.59' W long;

Camp Coogan Bay: will be closed east of 135°14.87' W long;

Crescent Bay: will be closed in waters enclosed by a line from the west end of the John O'Connell Bridge at 57°02.86' N lat, 135°20.57' W long to Twins Light at 57°02.06' N lat, 135°18.80' W long to the westernmost tip of Cannon Island at 57°02.60' N lat, 135°18.18' W long;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of the latitude of 57°11.01' N lat and south of the latitude of Creek Point at 57°12.94' N lat;

Neva Strait: will be closed north of the latitude of the Neva Point Reef Light at 57°14.06' N lat;

Mosquito Cove unnamed salmon stream: waters will be closed within 200 yards of the freshwater of an unnamed salmon stream located within Mosquito Cove at 57°08.54' N lat, 135°22.33' W long (stream channels remain closed at any stage of the tide).

Whale Bay: will be open east of 135°03.00' W long, with the following restriction:

Small Arm and Great Arm: will be closed north of 56°39.52' N lat.

Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76' W long.

To date, **4,835** sockeye salmon have been counted through the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects a total escapement of approximately **13,500** sockeye salmon, within the optimal escapement goal range of 8,000–18,000 sockeye salmon. The department will continue to monitor the sockeye salmon escapement as the season progresses and may take management actions in District 1 through statistical week 33.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that harvest from the Kendrick Bay Terminal Harvest Area (THA) should be kept and reported on a separate fish ticket from harvest outside of the Kendrick Bay THA. The statistical area for the Kendrick Bay THA is 102-15, harvest code 12, and includes the waters of McLean Arm and Kendrick Bay.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Anita Bay THA may be retained and sold. Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length **MAY be retained and sold in Districts 3, 4, 5, 9, 12, and 13.** Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may **NOT be retained in Districts 1, 2, and 6.** Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold.

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 "69-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.

The next seine announcement will be issued on or before **Tuesday, August 4, 2026.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S4926.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates							
Statistical Midweek 31							
Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 30, 2026							
Area	NUMBERS OF SALMON						Boats
	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 13	100	1,000	200	351,000	90,000	442,300	57
Area	FISH PER BOAT						Total
	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 13	2	18	4	6,158	1,579	7,760	
Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 70,000 chum salmon.							
Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 3,700 Chinook and 96,000 chum salmon.							
Thomas Bay THA harvest to date: 54,000 chum salmon.							
Amalga Harbor THA harvest to date: 410,000 chum salmon.							

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