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## **Advisory Announcement**

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### **Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #20**

**SEINE FISHERIES: A fishing opportunity targeting VFDA pink salmon is expected for Saturday, July 11 or Sunday, July 12, in portions of eastern Prince William Sound, with potential time and area to be announced at 2:00 pm on Friday, July 10.**

VFDA began its cost recovery sales program on Monday, July 6 and has collected approximately 34.6% of the assigned pink salmon revenue goal through July 8. VFDA reports that cost recovery pink salmon harvest in Port Valdez on Wednesday, July 8 resulted in an average weight of 4 pounds per fish and 12% female. VFDA cost recovery is continuing today.

An aerial survey of the Eastern and Northern districts was conducted on Tuesday, June 30. Stream escapement was minimal during these surveys, which is to be expected for the date. The next aerial survey of the Eastern and Northern districts is expected to occur Thursday, July 9.

**The next scheduled seine fisheries announcement is anticipated to be at 2:00 pm Friday, July 10.**