



Advisory Announcement
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SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT WINTER TROLL FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The 2021/2022 commercial winter troll fishery area in Cross Sound, Lisianski Strait and Lisianski Inlet will be reduced for wild Southeast Alaska/Yakutat (SEAK) Chinook salmon conservation effective 12:01 a.m., Thursday, April 21, 2022. The winter fishery will continue through April 30, 2022, or until the guideline harvest level (GHL) of 45,000 non-Alaska hatchery-produced (treaty) Chinook salmon is reached (5 AAC 29.070[a][1] and 5 AAC 29.080[a]).

During the 2022 Alaska Board of Fisheries meeting held in Anchorage, action plans were adopted giving the department direction, through emergency order authority, to identify and implement actions that provide conservation for SEAK and Transboundary River (TBR) wild Chinook salmon stocks while continuing to identify harvest opportunities to the troll fishery that maintain conservation of these stocks. The harvest proportions of wild SEAK and TBR stocks seen in fisheries operating on the outside waters of Southeast Alaska continue to remain low due to the abundance of non-Alaska stocks prevalent in these areas, however, with the historical run timing indicating an increase of wild northern SEAK and TBR Chinook salmon stocks during late April, a portion of Cross Sound and Lisianski Strait and Lisianski Inlet are being closed for the remainder of the winter troll season to reduce encounters of these stocks.

The winter troll fishery will close in waters of Districts 13 and 14 at 11:59 p.m., April 20 as follows (Figure 1):

District 13: in Section 13-A, all waters of Lisianski Inlet south and east of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point (58°06.34' N lat, 136°29.95' W long) to Column Point (58°07.23' N lat, 136°26.87' W long) and waters of Lisianski Strait north of 57°51.76' N lat;

District 14: waters east of a line from Cape Spencer (58°12.62' N lat, 136°39.82' W long) to the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point (58°06.34' N lat, 136°29.95' W long).

Information regarding plans for spring troll fisheries will be announced in the 2022 *Spring Troll Fishery Management Plan* and by advisory announcement during the month of April. Information regarding intended management actions for the conservation of Southeast Alaska Chinook salmon in the 2022 commercial troll and net fisheries will be announced in a future advisory announcement.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1S0322.

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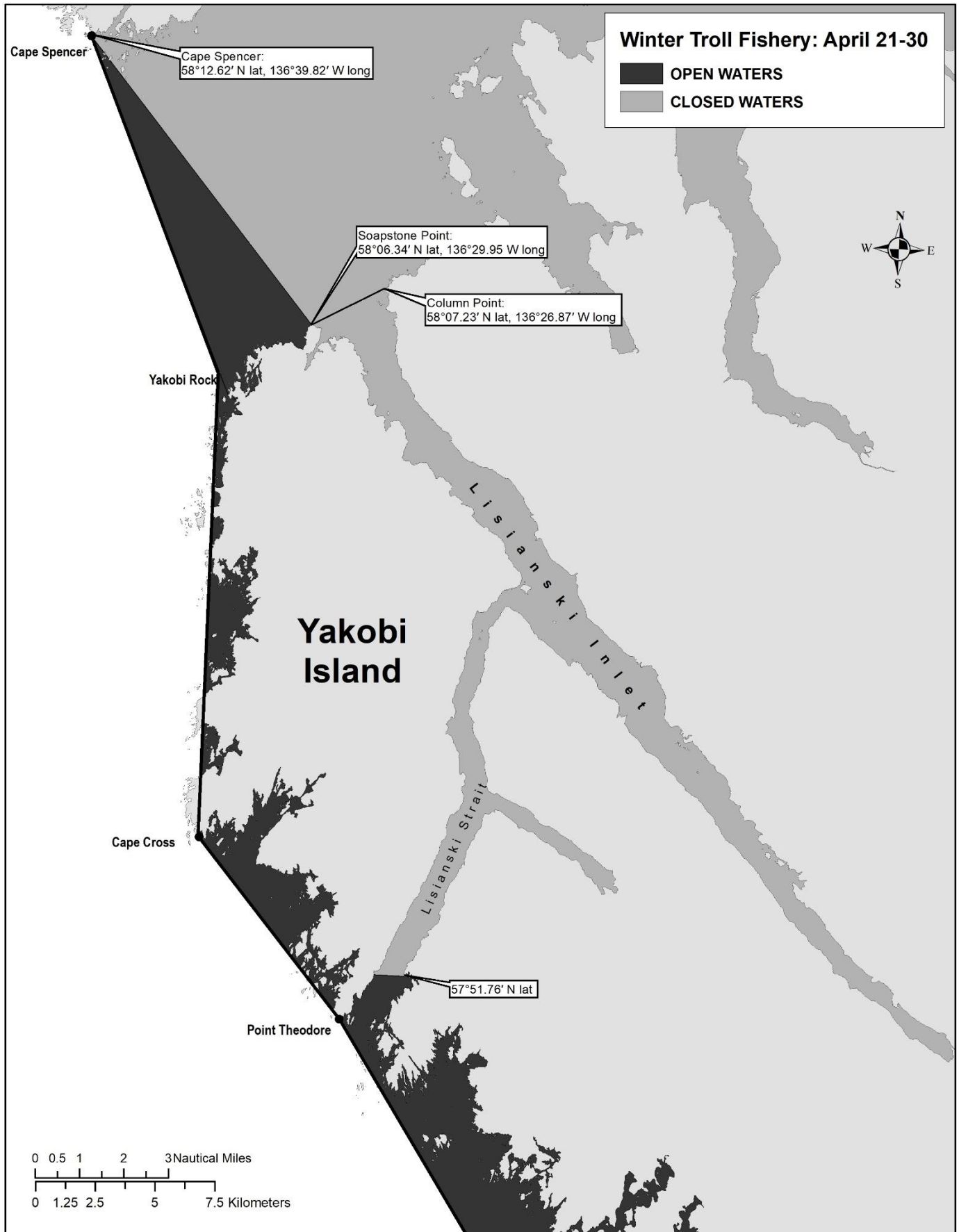


Figure 1.-Winter Troll Fishery boundary reductions, Sections 13-A and 14-A (April 21-30).