



Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Section 1-B: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 4, 2022**, in those waters south of 54°54.50' N lat [approximately 1.0 nautical mile (nmi) south of Foggy Point], with the following restriction:

Pearse and Portland Canals: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point at 54°50.03' N lat.

District 6: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 2, 2022**, with the following restrictions:

Section 6-D: will be closed north and east of a line from Point Nesbitt at 56°13.93' N lat, 132°52.35' W long to Nesbitt Reef Light at 56°13.22' N lat, 132°51.84' W long to Mariposa Rock Buoy at 56°10.68' N lat, 132°44.36' W long to the northernmost tip of Point Harrington at 56°10.27' N lat, 132°43.57' W long to a point on Etolin Island at 56°09.60' N lat, 132°42.70' W long to the southernmost tip of Point Stanhope at 56°00.69' N lat, 132°36.47' W long and south of a line from Point Stanhope to Luck Point at 55°59.05' N lat, 132°44.08' W long;

Salmon Bay: will be closed west of a line from Point Colpoys at 56°20.18' N lat, 133°11.90' W long to Rookery Island Light at 56°18.85' N lat, 133°06.34' W long to the westernmost tip of Fire Island at 56°14.04' N lat, 133°03.59' W long to a point on Prince of Wales Island at 56°14.04' N lat, 133°04.41' W long.

District 8: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 2, 2022**, with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: will be closed south and west of a line from a point 1.0 nmi off the Kupreanof Island shoreline on the District 10 boundary at 56°57.27' N lat, 132°58.96' W long to Sukoi Island Light at 56°53.73' N lat, 132°56.64' W long to Frederick Point at 56°47.55' N lat, 132°49.27' W long;

Stikine River: will be closed south and east of a line from Bear Creek at 56°42.92' N lat, 132°44.53' W long to a point 500 yards north of Japanese Creek on the mainland shore at 56°46.62' N lat, 132°37.11' W long and north and east of a line from a point east of Blind Slough on Mitkof Island at 56°31.88' N lat, 132°40.66' W long to a point on the small island near the eastern entrance of Blind Slough at 56°31.83' N lat, 132°40.17' W long to Two Tree Island Light at 56°29.65' N lat, 132°38.06' W long to Neal Point at 56°26.92' N lat, 132°36.00' W long to the navigational marker at Woronkofski Point (The Nose) on Woronkofski Island at 56°26.35' N lat, 132°28.87' W long and down the Woronkofski Island eastern shoreline to East Point at 56°22.97' N lat, 132°24.26' W long to a point on the Wrangell Island shoreline located at the latitude of East Point at 56°22.97' N lat, 132°21.41' W long.

Section 11-B north of the latitude of Circle Point at 58°07.76' N lat: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 4, 2022**.

Section 11-B south of the latitude of Circle Point at 58°07.76' N lat: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 3, 2022**, with the following restrictions:

Limestone Inlet: will be closed east of a line from a point on the north shore at 58°02.04' N lat, 133°59.60' W long to a point on the south shore at 58°01.75' N lat, 133°59.40' W long (outside markers);

Port Snettisham: will be closed east of a line from Point Styleman at 57°58.42' N lat, 133°53.93' W long to Point Anmer at 57°56.09' N lat, 133°51.01' W long;

Gillnet mesh restriction: the minimum allowed mesh size is 6 inches south of the latitude of Circle Point at 58°07.76' N lat from **12:01 p.m., Tuesday, August 2, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 3.**

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 3, 2022**, in those waters north of the latitude of Battery Point at 59°12.62' N lat, with the following restriction:

Lutak Inlet: will be closed north of a line at the Chilkoot River terminus marked by ADF&G regulatory markers located at 59°19.06' N lat, 135°33.29' W long to 59°19.47' N lat, 135°32.59' W long.

Section 15-A: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 2, 2022**, in those waters south of the latitude of **Battery Point at 59°12.62' N lat, with the following restriction:**

Chilkat Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Ayiklutu (Seduction) Point at 59°04.93' N lat.

Section 15-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 2, 2022**, with the following restrictions:

Lynn Canal: will be closed north of the latitude of Point Bridget at 58°40.73' N lat;

St. James Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Whidbey at 58°34.65' N lat, 135°08.69' W long to Saint James Point at 58°33.75' N lat, 135°09.91' W long.

Section 15-C: will be open from **12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 31, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 3, 2022**, in the Boat Harbor Terminal Harvest Area (THA) outer waters east of 135°09.57' W long, within 2.0 nmi of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Lance Point at 58°43.95' N lat and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°36.96' N lat, with the following restriction:

William Henry Bay: will be closed south of 58°42.93' N lat.

Section 15-C: Boat Harbor THA inner waters west of 135°09.57' W long will remain open until further notice with no restrictions.

To date, 756 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 1,900 sockeye salmon, well below 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 action through statistical week 33.

The Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery is being managed according to the District 1 Pink Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 33.360). The District 1 purse seine fishery is expected to receive two days of fishing time during statistical week 32. Therefore, the Section 1-B drift gillnet fishery will be given four days of fishing time. If the District 1 purse seine fishery is open for more than two days during statistical week 32 the fishing time in Section 1-B will be extended accordingly.

Fishermen 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 Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S4922.

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates
 Statistical Week 31 (July 24 through July 30)
 Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 28, 2022

NUMBER OF SALMON

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Days Open
District 1	150	1,400	1,100	46,000	41,000	89,650	46	4
District 6	30	5,800	1,000	17,000	45,000	68,830	54	2
District 11	20	32,000	1,500	18,000	56,000	107,520	80	5
District 15	30	52,000	30	9,000	80,000	141,060	120	4
Total	230	91,200	3,630	90,000	222,000	407,060		

FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD

District	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	3	30	24	1,000	891	1,949
District 6	1	107	19	315	833	1,275
District 11	0	400	19	225	700	1,344
District 15	0	433	0	75	667	1,176

Southeast Cove THA harvest to date: 29,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: confidential.

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