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Advisory Announcement

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ANITA BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

The Anita Bay terminal harvest area (THA) will open to troll gear on Thursday, August 18, 2022, and remain open until Thursday, November 10, 2022, or until closed by emergency order.

Anita Bay THA area will open for net rotations starting 12:00 p.m., Thursday, August 18, 2022, through 12:00 p.m., Monday, August 29, 2022. Drift gillnet and purse seine rotations will be on the following schedule:

Purse Seine

From 12:00 p.m., Thursday, August 18, 2022, to 12:00 p.m., Friday, August 19, 2022;

From 12:00 p.m., Monday, August 22, 2022, until 12;00 p.m., August 23, 2022;

From 12:00 p.m., Friday, August 26, 2022, until 12:00 p.m., Saturday, August 27, 2022.

Drift Gillnet

From 12:00 p.m., Saturday, August 20, 2022, until 12:00 p.m., Sunday, August 21, 2022;

From 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 24, 2022, until 12:00 p.m., Thursday, August 25, 2022;

From 12:00 p.m., Sunday, August 28, 2022, until 12:00 p.m., Monday, August 29, 2022.

Anita Bay THA consists of those waters of Anita Bay south and west of a line from the tip of Anita Point at 56°13.68′ N lat, 132°22.48′ W long to a point on the northern shore at 56°14.26′ N lat, 132°23.93′ W long.

To date, approximately 80% of the forecasted 291,000 summer chum can be accounted for between the traditional common property fisheries and cost recovery harvest.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for Troll Gear</u>: Chinook salmon retention is permitted in the troll fishery only during general summer troll Chinook salmon retention periods established under 5 AAC 29.100; trollers may retain and sell only those Chinook salmon that are 28 inches or greater in length.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for Purse Seine Gear</u>: Purse seine fishermen should consult the most current general purse seine announcement on retention of Chinook salmon in the purse seine fishery. Currently, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY be retained and sold. Chinook salmon less than 28 inches MAY be retained but not sold in the purse seine fishery.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E3322.

Advisory announcement website: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

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