

Hawk Inlet Seine Catch. From Stuart DeWitt

Board I ask that you look at these circumstances and reexamine your proposal 122 vote. Last year seine was open in District 12, south of latitude of Point Couverdon, within 1 mile of the Admiralty shoreline on August 2 and 3. Sockeye catch estimated was 10,100 and actual catch came in closer to 13000. As you can see in attached harvest estimate data hawk inlet shoreline was not singled out leading me to believe in skewed data RC177. If Hawk inlet data isn't singled out how can we be so sure of graphs and numbers that don't directly address the issue. After this opening the seine area along Admiralty shoreline was open only south of Point Marsden for the rest of the season. The following weeks gillnet area 15-C was closed for two weeks. My question is why was the seine line moved south 8 or so miles if sockeye catches were not a concern. It's because they are a concern and Seine management knows this is a very touchy topic! When genetic sampling was occurring 2015 42% of the sockeye caught were found to be of the Chilkat stock. Why the genetic sampling programs were stopped I don't know but should be reintroduced to gain invaluable information for this mixed stock fishery. The cap date was set for end of July for almost 30 years prior to the seine gillnet agreement in 2018. As Mr. Wood said a deal is a deal and the implied deal was for it to go back to the original time frame. Along with Chilkat stocks possibly becoming a stock of concern if it misses goal another year, I believe there is much more to this issue than meets the eye. Please reconsider your votes and move the Hawk Inlet cap date back to the end of July. Lastly I realize these catches are after the July date but just want you to see what an impact they could have if given more opportunity at earlier dates. They can catch a lot of fish by accident in a hurry this was only 18 boats. They are very mobile fleet and with potentially less opportunity in the southern areas this could really become a bigger issue. Thank you for your time and efforts.

Stuart DeWitt

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates

Statistical Week 32

Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 4, 2021

NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	8,200	4,000	670,000	11,000	693,200	31
District 2	0	3,100	1,900	490,000	6,800	501,800	20
District 3	100	1,600	700	60,000	8,300	70,700	10
District 4	6,000	75,000	13,000	2,400,000	22,000	2,516,000	70
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	1,000	500	171,000	350	172,850	9
Admiralty Island Shoreline	1	10,100	2,000	721,000	2,000	735,101	18
Section 13-A	3	300	200	204,000	600	205,103	8
Total	6,104	99,300	22,300	4,716,000	51,050	4,894,754	190

FISH PER BOAT

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	265	129	21,613	355	22,361
District 2	0	155	95	24,500	340	25,090
District 3	10	160	70	6,000	830	7,070
District 4	86	1,071	186	34,286	314	35,943
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	111	56	19,000	39	19,206
Admiralty Island Shoreline	0	561	111	40,056	111	40,839
Section 13-A	0	38	25	25,500	75	25,638

Districts 5, 6, 7 and 9, Thomas Bay and Southeast Cove THAs: Confidential.

Sections 12-A Kelp Bay and 13-B: no effort.

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 28,000 chum salmon.

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July 31, 2021

ne following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 2, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 3, 2021:**

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°03.40' N lat, 134°57.85' W long**, south of **58°03.40' 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);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within **1.0 nmi** of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39' N lat, and north of the **latitude of Parker Point at 57°36.73' N lat**.

District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, August 2, 2021:**

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

Salisbury Sound: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point at 135°48.07' W long, and north of 57°19.70' N lat with the following restriction:

Kakul Narrows, Peril Strait, and Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°41.30' W long.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 2, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 3, 2021:**

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

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°05.82' 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°43.67' N lat, 136°16.57' 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: will be closed south and east of 135°54.86' 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;

Ford Arm: will be closed east of 136°00.03' W long.

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: 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 57°50.95' N lat** with the following restriction:

Lisianski Inlet: will be closed between **57°54.54' N lat and 57°53.86' N lat, and closed south of 57°52.26' N lat**.