



Advisory Announcement

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Prince William Sound Salmon Fishery Announcement #23

SEINE FISHERIES: This announcement supersedes the previous announcement (Prince William Sound Fishery Announcement #22) for the Southwestern District. PWSAC recommends that the AFK, THA, and SHA be closed, following the current fishing period, to allow for pink salmon run entry for cost recovery. This announcement does not impact the previously announced fishing periods in the Port Chalmers Subdistrict.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT: The Southwestern District will close effective 8:00 am, Wednesday, July 22, to start building pink salmon for PWSAC cost recovery.

Copies of the regulation booklet, *2025-2028 Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations for Prince William Sound*, are available in the Cordova and Anchorage ADFG office. [2025-2028 Prince William Sound Area Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations](#)

ALL buyers purchasing fish in the PWS Management Area are required to complete a Processor Registration Form. Contact the Cordova office for any questions regarding registration.

The next scheduled salmon fisheries announcement is anticipated to be released by 2:00 pm on Wednesday, July 22.

Announcement recordings are available for gillnet fisheries at 907-424-7535 and seine fisheries at 907-424-7345.

Additionally, announcements, inseason harvest data, and escapement data are available at the following web address: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareapws.main> (Prince William Sound and Copper River homepage).

Unless otherwise specified, all openings are clock openings based on Alaska Daylight Time, which is based on Coordinated Universal Time and may be obtained by calling 303-499-7111.

The department encourages commercial permit holders to renew their licenses early and to check their CFEC vessel registration stickers to make sure they are current.

The department also encourages permit holders to report observed violations to Wildlife Safeguard at 800-478-3377. Reports are anonymous and cash rewards may be paid for successful prosecution of violations.

