



Advisory Announcement
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SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT SPRING TROLL FISHERY

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announces the following information concerning the 2023 commercial spring troll fishery.

SCHEDULE OF SPRING TROLL OPENINGS

Ketchikan area

Mountain Point (101-45) June 8–10
Rock Point (101-46) June 8–10

Craig area

Bucareli Bay (103-50) June 4–6
Trocadero Bay (103-60) June 7–8
San Alberto Bay (103-70) June 9–10

Sitka area

Western Channel (113-01) June 5
Redoubt Bay (113-30) June 7–9
Goddard (113-31) June 7
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32) June 5–6
Sitka Sound (113-41) June 3–7
Salisbury Sound (113-62) June 7–9

Yakutat area

Yakutat Bay (183-10) June 5

Weekly troll openings will be announced by advisory announcement each Friday; open fishing periods may be extended by emergency order based on inseason assessment of coded wire tag data. Spring troll fishery openings begin at 12:01 a.m. and close at 11:59 p.m. The Northern Chatham Strait, Point Couverden, Homeshore, Cross Sound, South Passage, and Keku Strait hatchery chum salmon areas will open on June 15; **however, Chinook salmon retention is prohibited in these fisheries. Maps of spring troll and terminal harvest areas (THA)** and additional details on the fishery are available in ADF&G area offices and on the ADF&G troll web site at:

https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_trollspring.

It is extremely important to segregate fish harvested in different fishery areas so that department personnel can collect accurate dockside sampling information. If salmon are harvested in multiple areas during a spring troll fishing trip, the vessel operator is **required to keep fish harvested in each spring fishery separate** from any other fish on board the vessel. Similarly, the fish buyer is **required to create a separate fish ticket for each fishery area** that documents the dates fished, number of salmon, fishery name, and salmon statistical area number for each area fished (5 AAC 29.090[k]). Fish tickets must be submitted to ADF&G within 7 days of landing.

PORT SAINT NICHOLAS TERMINAL HARVEST AREA

The Port Saint Nicholas spring troll fishery closed on May 31, however, beginning June 1 this area opened as the Port Saint Nicholas THA. Fish ticket statistical area coding for the THA will remain the same as spring troll, 103-63. Fishermen are

advised that the waters of the Port Saint Nicholas Special Harvest Area (SHA) east of 133°02.92' W long are closed to common property commercial troll fisheries beginning June 1. Additional details are available in the Port Saint Nicholas Terminal Harvest Area Troll Fishery advisory announcement issued May 26.

SCHEDULE OF TERMINAL HARVEST AREA OPENINGS

THA troll openings will occur as follows, unless closed by emergency order. Opening and closing times vary by area, refer to the appropriate THA advisory announcements for fishery details. Chinook salmon retention is prohibited during the month of June in the Nakat Inlet, Kendrick Bay, Southeast Cove, and Thomas Bay THAs; however, Chinook salmon retention is permitted in these THAs during general summer troll Chinook salmon retention periods established under 5 AAC 29.100.

Nakat Inlet THA (101-10)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Carroll Inlet THA (101-48)	June 1–30
Neets Bay THA (101-95)	June 15–until closed by emergency order
Kendrick Bay THA (102-15)	June 15–until closed by emergency order
Port Saint Nicholas THA (103-63)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Anita Bay THA (107-35)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Gunnuk Creek THA (109-40)	June 1–June 30
Southeast Cove THA (109-41)	TBD pending cost recovery results
Thomas Bay THA (110-12)	June 18–until closed by emergency order
Hidden Falls THA (112-22)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Crawfish Inlet THA (113-33)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Silver Bay THA (113-35)	June 1–until closed by emergency order
Deep Inlet THA (113-38)	June 1–until closed by emergency order

The Emergency Orders corresponding to this announcement are EOs 1S0423, 1S09X23, 1E0123, 1E0323, 1E0423, 1E0823, 1E0923, 1E1023, 1E1123, 1E1223, and 1E1323.

2023 Spring Chinook Harvest and Effort					
Spring Troll Area	Week of 5/28 (SW 22)		Cumulative		
	Landings	Harvest	Landings	Harvest	
Bucareli Bay (103-50)	15	61	39	145	
Trocadero Bay (103-60)	4	17	25	160	
Port Saint Nicholas (103-63)	6	28	46	193	
San Alberto Bay (103-70)	0	0	38	269	
Western Channel (113-01)	5	20	5	20	
Redoubt Bay (113-30)	11	122	45	484	
Goddard (113-31)	*	*	*	*	
West Crawfish Inlet (113-32)	*	*	*	*	
Sitka Sound (113-41)	33	355	148	1,386	
Salisbury Sound (113-62)	0	0	19	233	
Yakutat Bay (183-10)	10	48	50	276	
Totals for Region	88	670	419	3,185	

*Data are confidential when harvest for fewer than 3 permits is reported

Advisory Announcement web site: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main>.

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