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NEWS
RELEASES

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2016 KING SALMON SPORT FISHING RESTRICTIONS FOR KETCHIKAN AREA MARINE WATERS

Anglers are advised that king salmon restrictions will be in effect in the Ketchikan area sport fishery in order to reduce the harvest of Unuk River king salmon and ensure the Unuk River king salmon escapement goal is achieved. New regulations and effective dates are as follows:

◆ Northern Behm Canal

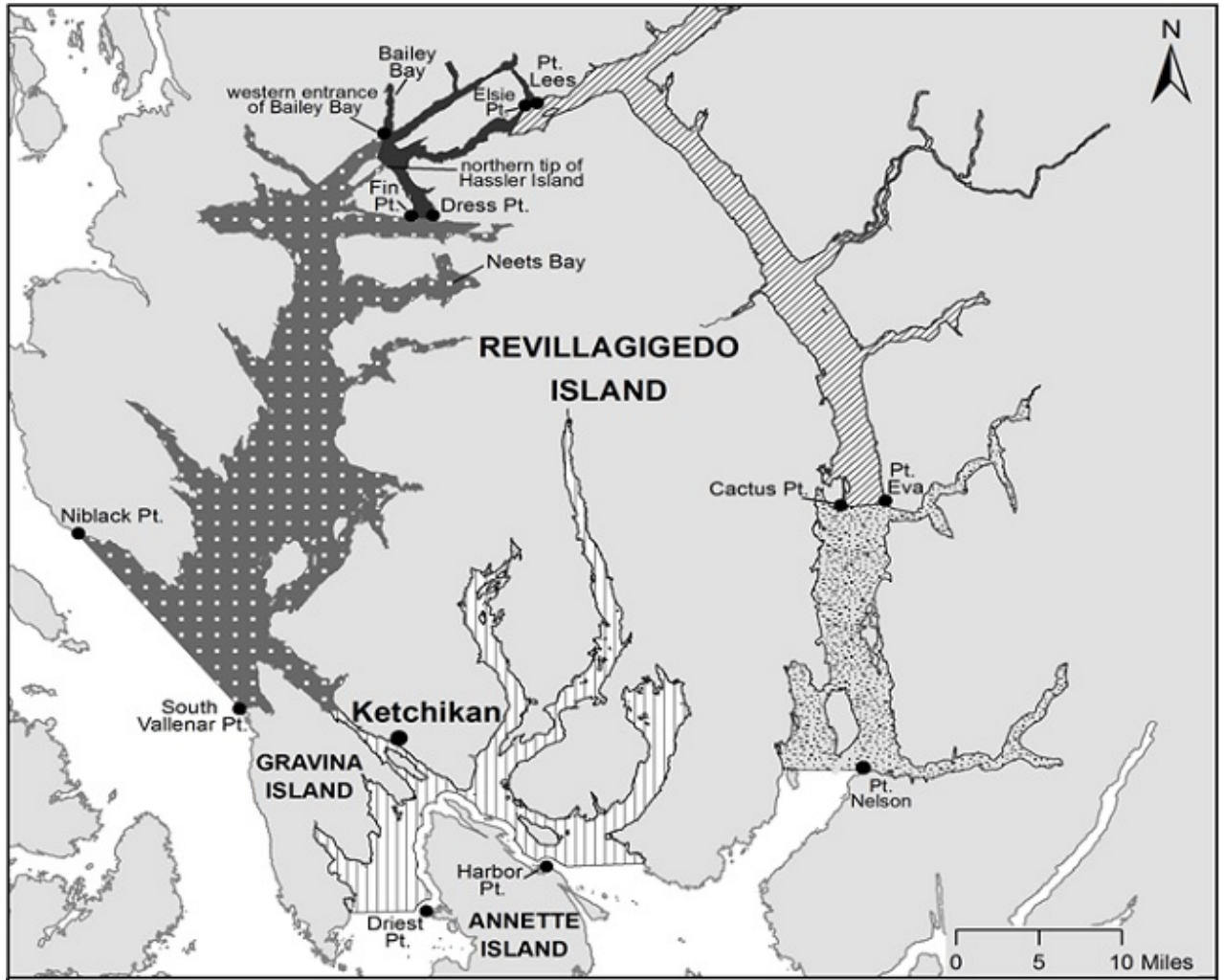
Salmon fishing is closed from May 24 – June 30 in Behm Canal and the contiguous bays enclosed to the north by a line from Point Lees to Elsie Point and a line from Elsie Point to the longitude of the outlet of Long Lake (131°26.100'W. long.), and to the south by a line from the western entrance of Bailey Bay at 55°56.036' N. lat., 131°37.943' W. long. to the northern tip of Hassler Island at 55°54.276' N. lat., 131°37.798' W. long. and a line from Fin Point at 55°51.256' N. lat., 131°35.415' W. long. to Dress Point at 55°51.145' N. lat., 131°33.748' W. long. (see attached map).

◆ West Behm Canal



From May 24 - June 30, the bag and possession limit is one king salmon 28 inches or greater in length for residents and nonresidents; nonresident annual limit is six king salmon 28 inches or greater in length in the waters of west Behm Canal enclosed to the north by a line from the western entrance of Bailey Bay at 55°56.036' N. lat., 131°37.943' W. long. to the northern tip of Hassler Island at 55°54.276' N. lat., 131°37.798' W. long. and a line from Fin Point 55°51.256' N. lat., 131°35.415' W. long. to Dress Point 55°51.145' N. lat., 131°33.748' W. long, and to the south by a line from Niblack Point 55°32.998' N. lat., 132°07.228' W. long., to South Vallenar Point 55°22.878' N. lat., 131°52.747' W. long. (see attached map).

Anglers are reminded that regional bag, possession, and size limits are different than those outlined in the areas listed above and anglers are prohibited from possessing fish that exceed the limits for the waters where they are fishing. Therefore, anglers fishing in multiple areas must be diligent to ensure they do not exceed the bag, possession, or size limit for the area they are currently fishing.




For further information regarding sport fisheries in Southeast Alaska, contact the nearest ADF&G office or visit: www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm



NEW REGULATIONS FOR 2016

-  AREA CLOSED TO SALMON FISHING, MAY 24 - JUNE 30
-  MAY 24 - JUNE 30: BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS FOR RESIDENTS AND NONRESIDENTS IS ONE KING SALMON 28 INCHES OR GREATER IN LENGTH; NONRESIDENT ANNUAL LIMIT OF 6 KING SALMON

EXISTING REGULATIONS

-  KETCHIKAN SPORT TERMINAL HARVEST AREA:
JUNE 1 - JULY 31 RESIDENT AND NONRESIDENT BAG AND POSSESSION LIMIT OF 6 KING SALMON OF ANY SIZE; NONRESIDENT ANNUAL LIMIT DOES NOT APPLY
-  AREA CLOSED TO SALMON FISHING
-  AREA CLOSED TO SALMON FISHING MAY 1 - AUGUST 14

