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Advisory Announcement

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Kodiak District Red Sea Cucumber Fishing Period #3

Emergency Order 4-S-10-20

The National Weather Service (NWS) marine forecast issued at 4:00 a.m. December 7 for Shelikof Strait (PKZ138) and Shuyak Island to Sitkinak (PKZ132) did not contain gale warnings. Therefore, the third fishing period of the Kodiak District commercial red sea cucumber fishery will open as follows:

Section	December 8–December 18, 2020 Fishing Periods:	Days
Northeast	12:00 noon Tuesday, December 8 to 11:59 a.m. Friday, December 18	10
Eastside	12:00 noon Tuesday, December 8 to 11:59 a.m. Friday, December 18	10
Southeast	12:00 noon Tuesday, December 8 to 11:59 a.m. Friday, December 18	10
Southwest	12:00 noon Tuesday, December 8 to 11:59 a.m. Friday, December 18	10
Westside	12:00 noon Tuesday, December 8 to 11:59 a.m. Friday, December 18	10
North Mainland	12:00 noon Tuesday, December 8 to 11:59 a.m. Friday, December 18	10
South Mainland	12:00 noon Tuesday, December 8 to 11:59 a.m. Friday, December 18	10
Semidi Island	12:00 noon Tuesday, December 8 to 11:59 a.m. Friday, December 18	10

Prior to fishing, each diver is required to obtain a current sea cucumber dive gear interim-use permit card from the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC) and a valid diver registration from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G). Divers must secure a market prior to harvesting sea cucumbers. All divers are required to submit completed logbooks to ADF&G after each fishing period. Due to health concerns related to COVID-19, divers are encouraged obtain registration forms and logbooks by mail, email (nathaniel.nichols@alaska.gov), or fax (907-486-1824), however all fishery related documents are also available in-person at the ADF&G office in Kodiak.

For additional information, contact ADF&G in Kodiak at (907) 486-1840.

COVID-19

Under Alaska's Health Orders 5, 6, and 8, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Orders. COVID-19 Health Orders may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-order/>

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