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BEAR COVE SPECIAL HARVEST AREA COMMERCIAL TROLL FISHERY

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announces the following information in cooperation with the Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) concerning common property troll fisheries in the Bear Cove Special Harvest Area (SHA).

The Bear Cove SHA will close to troll gear effective 11:59 p.m., September 13, 2021, as follows:

The waters of Bear Cove east of a line from a point on the south shore at 57°00.63′ N lat, 135°09.80′ W long, to the north shore at 57°01.07′ N lat, 135°09.93′ W long, will remain closed until further notice (Figure 1).

This closure is being implemented at the request of NSRAA in order to meet coho salmon broodstock goals at the Medvejie Creek Hatchery. If broodstock needs are met, the specified waters of Bear Cove may reopen to trolling.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is 1E2321.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, 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 Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/.

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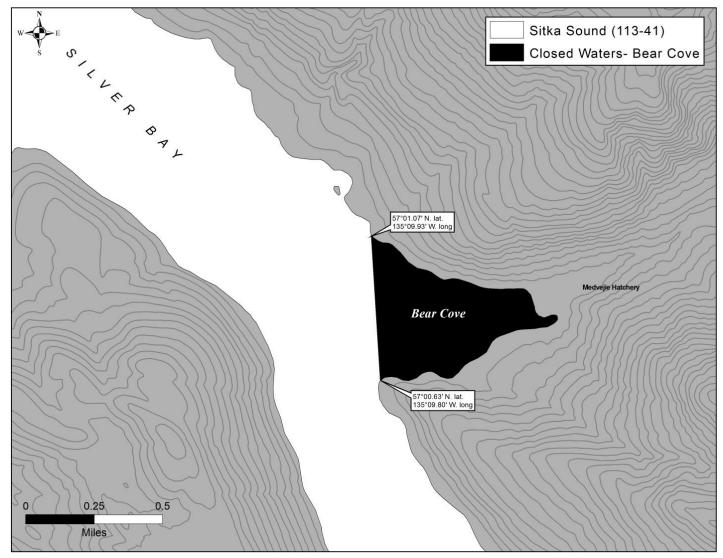


Figure 1.—Closed waters of the Bear Cove Special Harvest Area.