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2023 South Alaska Peninsula Area State-Waters Pacific Cod Jig Gear Season Opening (Revised)

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The South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod jig gear season will open at 12:00 noon March 14, 2023, following closure of the Western Gulf of Alaska (WGOA) federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear sector A season. All Pacific cod harvested during the WGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear sector A season, or any other Pacific cod fishery, must be delivered before a vessel may participate in the state-waters Pacific cod fishery. The 2023 South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod guideline harvest level (GHL) allocation for jig gear vessels is 740,000 pounds.

Vessels participating in the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery may not exceed 58 feet in overall length. Vessel operators must obtain a miscellaneous finfish jig gear interim-use permit card from the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission and an exclusive state-waters vessel registration from ADF&G prior to participating in the state-waters fishery. Vessel registrations are available from the ADF&G office in Kodiak.

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