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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL GEODUCK FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The following area will be open for the commercial harvest of geoduck for live sale with a 300-pound harvest limit from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 26, and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, April 27, 2023:

Vallenar Bay (Subdistrict 101-29-004): will open for a remaining harvest of 4,800 pounds of geoduck.

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Cone Island North (Subdistricts 103-50-005, 104-40-005): will open for a remaining harvest of 29,000 pounds of geoduck.

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial geoduck fishery announcement dated September 15, 2022, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels. All companies buying geoduck clams must contact the Fish and Game, Ketchikan office with a harvest report before 12:00 noon on Friday, April 28, 2023.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1M2323.

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

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