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## **Advisory Announcement**

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### **Prince William Sound Area Pacific Cod Parallel Season Closes to Jig Gear Emergency Order # 2-GF-E-10-23**

The Prince William Sound Area (PWS) Pacific cod parallel season **will close to vessels using jig gear at 12:00 noon April 28**. This coincides with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) closure of the Pacific cod jig gear sector in the federal Central Gulf of Alaska Area (CGOA).

The PWS state-waters Pacific Cod Management Plan (5AAC 28.267) allocates 15% of the total GHL to vessels fishing with pots or jigs. This allocation was taken and closed 11:59 p.m. April 3. Therefore, the 2023 state-waters Pacific cod season is closed.

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