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Advisory Announcement

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NORTHERN SOUTHEAST OUTSIDE (NSEO) SECTION DIRECTED LINGCOD FISHERY CLOSURE

The directed fishery for lingcod will close in the entire Northern Southeast Outside (NSEO) management area at 11:59 p.m., Sunday, May 21, 2023. The 2023 directed lingcod fishery guideline harvest level (GHL) for the NSEO Section is 17,200 round pounds. Based on reported landings and communication with the fleet, the department anticipates the GHL will be taken at the time of the closure.

The directed lingcod fishery remains open in the Icy Bay Subdistrict (IBS), Central Southeast Outside (CSEO) Section, and Southern Southeast Outer Coast (SSEOC) Sector. Lingcod catches will be closely monitored, and fishermen should expect additional area closures on short notice. Closure notices will be announced by ADF&G advisory announcement, United States Coast Guard marine broadcast, and the National Weather Service marine broadcast.

Updates of area closures for all lingcod fisheries are available on the Groundfish Hotline at 907-747-4882. For additional information on the directed lingcod fishery, refer to the ADF&G advisory announcement issued on March 17, 2023.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1G0423.

Advisory Announcement website: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

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