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PORT SAINT NICHOLAS TERMINAL HARVEST AREA TROLL FISHERY

The **Port Saint Nicholas Terminal Harvest Area (THA)** commercial salmon troll fishery will open for the harvest of salmon at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 1, and remain open until closed by emergency order. The THA will not open to common property commercial net gear during the 2023 season.

The Port Saint Nicholas Troll THA (**statistical area 103-63**) consists of the waters of Port Saint Nicholas and Bucareli Bay enclosed by a line from Cape Suspiro at 55°27.47' N lat, 133°08.50' W long to the northernmost tip of Toti Island at 55°24.90' N lat, 133°07.34' W long to Point Miraballes at 55°25.85' N lat, 133°05.23' W long (5 AAC 33.382[c]). **The waters of the Port Saint Nicholas Special Harvest Area (SHA) east of 133°02.92' W long are closed to common property commercial fisheries (Figure 1). Troll fishery participants are advised that coordinates for Cape Suspiro and Point Miraballes have been modified by emergency order and regulatory language is updated to more accurately reflect the location of these points.**

Statistical area 103-63 should be recorded on fish tickets for harvest within the Port Saint Nicholas THA. Fish harvested in the THA should be separated from fish caught in other areas so that department personnel will have the opportunity to obtain biological samples. Permit holders are advised that they must offload all Chinook salmon taken in the THA prior to fishing in areas where Chinook salmon retention is prohibited. Following the closure of the Port Saint Nicholas THA, this area is managed as a traditional salmon fishery with harvest reported using statistical area 103-60.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E1023.

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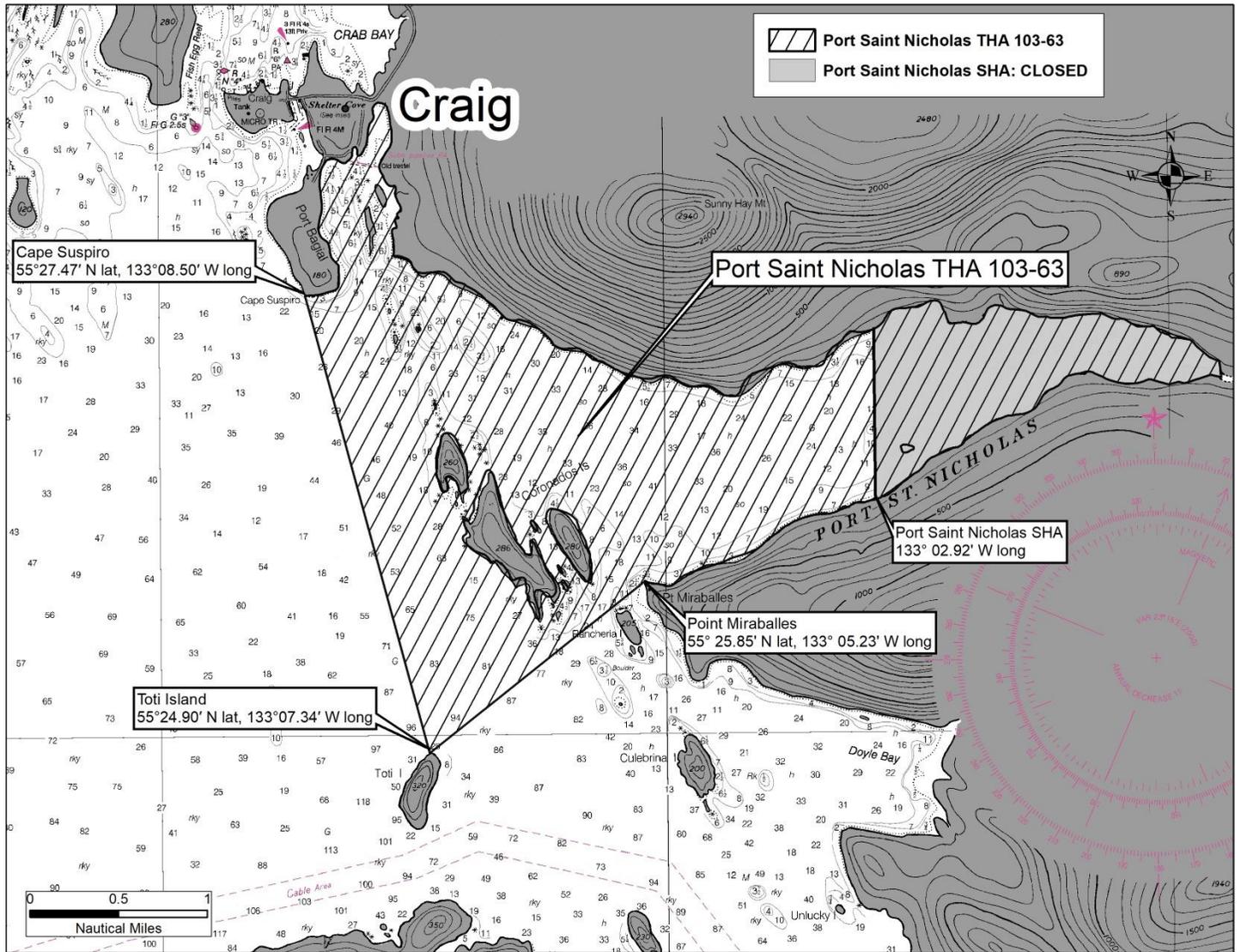


Figure 1.—Port Saint Nicholas Terminal Harvest Area Troll Fishery.