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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 700-pound area specific harvest limit from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 11, and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 12, 2023:

Percy Islands (Subdistrict 101-25-002): will be open for a remaining harvest of 24,000 pounds of geoduck.

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Kelp Island (Subdistrict 101-21-001): will be open for a remaining harvest of 135,000 pounds of geoduck;

<u>Vegas and Hotspur Islands (Subdistrict 101-25-003)</u>: will be open for a remaining harvest of 85,000 pounds of geoduck.

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial geoduck fishery announcement dated September 8, 2023, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels. All geoducks harvested must be clearly labeled with the date of harvest, the harvester's name and the location of harvest. Companies buying geoduck must contact the Fish and Game, Ketchikan office with a harvest report before 12:00 noon on Friday, October 13, 2023.

The emergency order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M3623.

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