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**Advisory Announcement**  
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**2023/24 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

The following areas will be closed for the remainder of the 2023/24 season:

**District 1:**

Revillagigedo Channel, Thorne Arm, and East Behm Canal (Subdistricts 101-41, 43, and 53);

**District 8:**

Stikine Strait and Chichagof Passage (Subdistricts 108-10, 20, and 40).

The following area will be open from **8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023:**

**District 12:**

Northern Chatham Strait (Subdistricts 112-16, 17, 63, and 65).

The following area will be open from **8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023:**

**District 1:**

West Behm Canal (Subdistrict 101-85).

The following areas will be open from **8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023:**

**District 7:**

Southern Ernest Sound (Subdistrict 107-10);

**District 14:**

Excursion Inlet and Homeshore (Subdistricts 114-25-002 and 114-80).

The following areas will be open from **8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023, and from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023:**

**District 1:**

Boca de Quadra (Subdistrict 101-30);

**District 2:**

Moira Sound (Subdistrict 102-30);

**District 7:**

Northern Ernest Sound (Subdistrict 107-20);

Bradfield Canal, Blake Channel, and Eastern Passage (Subdistricts 107-40 and 45);

**District 8:**

South Mitkof and North Zarembo Islands (Subdistrict 108-30);

**District 9:**

Southeast Baranof (Subdistrict 109-10).

The following area will be open from **8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023, and from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023:**

**District 3:**

Eastern shore of Dall Island and Soda Bay (Subdistrict 103-40).

The following areas will be open from **8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 5, Monday, November 6, and Tuesday, November 7, 2023:**

**District 13:**

Baranof Island Shoreline, Necker and Rakof Islands, West Crawfish Inlet, and Crawfish Inlet (Subdistricts 113-31, 32, and 33);

Sitka Sound (Subdistricts 113-38 and 41).

Fishers and processors are reminded that an accurate fish ticket is required at the time of delivery. A fish ticket must be filled out according to 5 AAC 39.130(c). Fishers must verify at the time of landing with the tender or processor that all information is accurate before signing the fish ticket, including statistical area, pounds of sea cucumbers harvested, and any overages.

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial sea cucumber fishery announcement dated August 31, 2023, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels (GHL). The next advisory announcement following this opening will be available on **Thursday, November 9, 2023.**

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1M4323.

**2023/24 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery  
Statistical Week 44**

<b>Area Description</b>	<b>Statistical Area(s)</b>	<b>GHL</b>	<b>Harvest to Date</b>	<b>Remaining GHL</b>
West Shore of Gravina Island	101-29	<b>63,700</b>	59,849	<b>CLOSED</b>
Boca De Quadra	101-30	<b>75,700</b>	9,600	<b>66,100</b>
Revilla Channel, Thorne Arm & East Behm	101-41, 43, and 53	<b>107,000</b>	103,612	<b>CLOSED</b>
West Behm Canal	101-85	<b>47,200</b>	37,838	<b>9,362</b>
Moir Sound	102-30	<b>146,100</b>	53,881	<b>92,219</b>
Thorne Bay & Kasaan Peninsula	102-70	<b>65,600</b>	65,746	<b>CLOSED</b>
East Dall Island & Soda Bay	103-40	<b>108,000</b>	***	***
Southern Ernest Sound	107-10	<b>79,700</b>	71,337	<b>8,363</b>
Northern Ernest Sound	107-20	<b>229,400</b>	100,377	<b>129,023</b>
Zimovia Strait & Anita Bay	107-30 and 35	<b>79,300</b>	78,868	<b>CLOSED</b>
Bradfield, Blake & Eastern Passage	107-40 and 45	<b>29,500</b>	0	<b>29,500</b>
Stikine Strait & Chichagof Passage	108-10, 20, and 40	<b>22,800</b>	21,432	<b>CLOSED</b>
South Mitkof & North Zarembo	108-30	<b>11,400</b>	0	<b>11,400</b>
Southeast Baranof	109-10	<b>21,400</b>	***	***
Seymour Canal	111-11 and 14	<b>129,200</b>	118,103	<b>CLOSED</b>
Northern Chatham Strait	112-16, 17, 63, and 65	<b>72,300</b>	49,602	22,698
Baranof, Necker, Crawfish & W Crawfish	113-31, 32, and 33	<b>107,400</b>	***	***
Sitka Sound	113-38 and 41	<b>49,300</b>	***	***
Peril Strait	113-51, 52, 53, 54, and 59	<b>209,800</b>	208,127	<b>CLOSED</b>
Excursion Inlet & Homeshore	114-25-002 and 114-80	<b>18,200</b>	10,200	8,000
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1,673,000</b>	<b>998,388</b>	<b>652,949</b>

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