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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL POT SHRIMP FISHERY UPDATE

Sitka . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game today announced the following information to assist harvesters and processors involved in the Southeast Alaska pot shrimp fishery. This notification is for information only and is expected to change as the fishing fleet moves from previously closed districts. Specific closure announcements will generally occur for each district two or three days prior to the closure. Catch estimates are as of October 30, 2014. **This is the last regular update for the 2014-2015 pot shrimp fishery, for further updates please call your local office.**

District 1: Reported harvest: 65,000 pounds. District 1 closed at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

District 2: Reported harvest: 49,482 pounds. District 2 closed at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 17, 2014.

Section 3-A: Reported harvest: 101,897 pounds. Section 3-A closed at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 10, 2014.

Section 3-B/C: Reported harvest: 28,104 pounds. Section 3-B/C closed at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 16, 2014.

District 4: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close on Saturday, February 28, 2015.

District 5: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close on Saturday, February 28, 2015.

District 6: Reported harvest: 22,000 pounds. District 6 closed at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 17, 2014.

District 7: Reported harvest: 75,300 pounds. District 7 closed at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

District 8: Reported harvest: 8,900 pounds. **District 8 closed at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 28, 2014.**

District 9: Reported harvest: 18,439 pounds. District 9 closed at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 10, 2014.

District 10: Reported harvest: 35,600 pounds. District 10 closed at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

District 11-Seymour Canal: Harvest is confidential. Seymour Canal closed at 4:00 p.m., Sunday, October 12, 2014.

District 11-Remainder of District: Estimated harvest: 6,450 pounds. The Remainder of District 11 closed at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 21, 2014.

Section 13-A/B: Estimated harvest: 16,000 pounds. **Section 13-A/B will close at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, November 1, 2014.**

Section 13-C: Reported harvest: 26,228. Section 13-C closed at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, October 4, 2014.

District 15: Estimated harvest: 6,500 pounds, 8,500 pounds remaining. **The eastern portion of the District 15 commercial pot shrimp fishery will close effective 4:00 p.m., Monday, November 3, 2014.** The western portion of the district will remain open until further notice.

District 16: Estimated harvest: 14,700 pounds. **District 16 closed at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 24, 2014.**

All commercial shrimp fishermen are required to notify the department within two business days of deploying gear and within two business days after ceasing fishing in a district, or portion of a district, with a GHL. Catcher/Processor and Catcher/Seller vessels must call the Fish and Game area office that manages the district they are fishing and report catch information between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., once per week by 12:00 noon each Wednesday, every week they conduct fishing operations.

If warranted, the department may re-open a district 14 days after a closure, with a four-day notice. The estimate for when a district is to close may be highly variable. The redistribution of effort as the season progresses may greatly influence the daily harvest rates in districts.

Number of boats, week 44 (Oct 26-Nov 1). Data compiled October 30.

District	4	5	13A/B	15
Boats	*	*	5	7

*Confidential
No reported harvest: District 4.
Closed: Districts 1, 2, 3-A, 3-B/C, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11-RoD, 11-S, 13-C, 16

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