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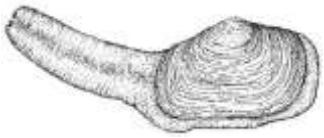

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA GEODUCK CLAM FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Ketchikan. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information regarding the Southeast Alaska commercial geoduck clam fishery.

The following areas will be open for the commercial harvest of geoduck clams for live sale from **7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 18, and from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday, March 19, 2015:**

Cone Island North (Subdistricts 103-50-005, 104-40-005);

Ulitka Bay (Subdistrict 103-70-001).

Geoduck logbooks are required to be properly completed and submitted within seven days of a commercial landing. Failure to follow this regulation may result in a citation. Contact the nearest Alaska Department of Fish and Game office if you need assistance in completing your logbook.

By regulation, all geoducks harvested must be clearly labeled with the date of harvest, the harvester's name, and the location of harvest.

In order to facilitate weekly sampling schedules the Alaska Department of Fish and Game must receive timely information about the daily harvest by area. Divers are requested to contact the company buying their geoduck clams with an estimate of pounds harvested. **All companies buying geoduck clams are requested to contact the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Commercial Fisheries, Ketchikan office before 12:00 noon on Friday, March 20, with a harvest estimate by area.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M1415.

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