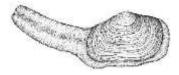
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2016/17 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL GEODUCK CLAM FISHERY

Juneau . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announced today the following information concerning the 2016/17 commercial geoduck clam season in Southeast Alaska.

The Southeast Alaska commercial geoduck clam fishery guideline harvest level (GHL) from the news release issued on September 20, 2016, has been updated to a total of **659,600** pounds. The updated GHLs for each area are as follows:

Foggy Bay (Subdistrict 101-23-001): will be open for a GHL of **34,200** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

<u>Slate Island (Subdistrict 101-23-004)</u>: will be open for a GHL of 13,400 pounds of whole geoduck clams;

<u>Cat and Dog Islands (Subdistricts 101-23-005, 101-41-005)</u>: will be open for a GHL of 38,200 pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Lower Cordova Bay (Subdistricts 102-10, 103-11, 103-21): will be open for a GHL of **17,500** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

East San Fernando Island (Subdistrict 103-60-001): will be open for a GHL of 25,000 pounds of whole geoduck clams;

<u>Ulitka Bay (Subdistrict 103-70-001)</u>: will be open for a GHL of **13,600** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

<u>Davidson Inlet (Subdistrict 103-90-004)</u>: will be open for a GHL of **18,900** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

<u>Blanquizal Islands (Subdistrict 103-70-005)</u>: will be open for a GHL of **52,000** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

<u>Palisades Islands (Subdistrict 103-70-006)</u>: will be open for a GHL of **139,000** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Saint Nicholas Channel, North Lulu Island (Subdistrict 103-70-007): will be open for a GHL of 113,800 pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Port Alice/Cone Bay (Subdistrict 103-90-002): will be open for a GHL of **18,200** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Cone Island North (Subdistricts 103-50-005, 104-40-005): will be open for a GHL of 65,700 pounds of whole geoduck clams;

<u>Cone Island South and Paloma Pass (Subdistricts 103-50-006, 104-35-006)</u>: will be open for a GHL of **48,900** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Warren Island and Kosciusko Island (Subdistricts 103-90-005, 105-41,43,50-005): will be open for a GHL of **38,800** pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Northwest Dall Island (Subdistricts 104-20-003, 104-30-003): will be open for a GHL of 22,400 pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Port Santa Cruz (Subdistrict 104-30-002): will remain closed.

News releases web site: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main</u>.

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