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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 area will be open for the commercial harvest of geoduck clams for live sale with a 300 pound harvest limit from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Thursday, December 8, 2016:

Northwest Dall Island (Subdistricts 104-20-003, 104-30-003): will be open for a remaining harvest of 11,000 pounds of whole geoduck clams.

If a geoduck harvester makes a landing from the Northwest Dall Island area, they may not harvest, possess, or land more than 300 pounds of geoduck clams in this opening. Any harvest over this limit must be surrendered to the state and may not be retained as personal use.

All companies buying geoduck clams must contact the Fish and Game, Ketchikan office before 12:00 noon on Friday, December 9, 2016.

All geoducks harvested must be clearly labeled with the date of harvest, the harvester's name, and the location of harvest. Geoduck logbooks are required to be completed daily and before leaving the harvest site. Logbooks must be submitted to the Department within seven days of a commercial landing.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M4516.

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