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# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

### NEWS RELEASE



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#### **2017/18 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information concerning the commercial harvest of sea cucumbers in Southeast Alaska during the 2017/18 season.

The following area will be open from **8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, December 4, 2017:**

**District 8:**

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

The following areas will be open from **8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, December 4, 2017, and from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, December 5, 2017:**

**District 3:**

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

**District 13:**

Southern Sitka Sound (Subdistricts 113-38 and 41).

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the September 13, 2017, sea cucumber fishery news release announcing the open areas and their GHLS. The next news release following this opening will be available on **Thursday, December 7, 2017.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M4217.

**2017-2018 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery**

<b>Area Description</b>	<b>Statistical Area(s)</b>	<b>GHL</b>	<b>Harvest to Date (lbs)</b>	<b>Remaining GHL</b>
Gravina Island	101-29	46,300	60,534	CLOSED
Boca De Quadra	101-30	50,900	50,843	CLOSED
Revillagigedo Channel	101-41,43,53	49,600	44,771	CLOSED
West Behm Canal	101-85	36,900	32,697	CLOSED
Moira Sound	102-30	135,700	151,868	CLOSED
Clarence Strait	102-70	100,400	111,043	CLOSED
East Dall Island	103-40	141,100	106,832	34,268
S. Ernest Sound	107-10	127,900	123,257	CLOSED
N. Ernest Sound	107-20	172,700	183,634	CLOSED
Zimovia Strait & Anita Bay	107-30,35	78,000	75,483	CLOSED
Bradfield Canal	107-40,45	9,700	15,368	CLOSED
Stikine Strait & Chichagof	108-10,20,40	18,600	34,544	CLOSED
South Mitkof and North Zarembo	108-30	23,800	***	***
Southeast Baranof	109-10	23,500	24,018	CLOSED
N. Chatham Strait	112-16,17,63,65	41,200	41,370	CLOSED
Sitka Sound	113-38,41	15,300	***	***
Peril Strait	113-51,52,53,54,59	142,000	150,900	CLOSED
Excursion Inlet & Homeshore	114-25-002, 114-80	20,800	***	CLOSED
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1,234,400</b>	<b>1,239,225</b>	<b>55,000</b>

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