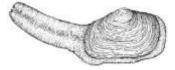
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SOUTHEAST ALASKA GEODUCK CLAM FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT CORRECTION

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

This is a modification to the previous fishery announcement for this area.

<u>Vallenar Bay (Subdistrict 101-29-004)</u>: will be open for a GHL of 26,600 pounds of whole geoduck clams for live sale from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, February 22, and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday, February 23, 2018. During this two-day period, a geoduck harvester may not harvest, possess, or land more than 700 pounds of geoduck clams from Vallenar Bay. Any harvest over this limit must be landed to the processor, recorded on a fish ticket, and surrendered to the state. Harvest over the 700 pound limit may not be retained as personal use.

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 1M1118.

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