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# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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#### **YAKUTAT DUNGENESS CRAB FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT SEASON TO REMAIN CLOSED**

Juneau... The Alaska Department of Fish and Game reminds fishermen that the commercial fishery for Dungeness crab in Registration Area D (Yakutat) will remain closed for both summer and fall portions of the 2011/12 fishing season. The fishery has been closed for the past eleven seasons since being designated as collapsed and recovering by the Board of Fisheries at their January 2000 meeting. A survey of Yakutat Dungeness stock conducted in May 2004 showed no signs of a stock recovery. Following this survey the Yakutat sport and personal use Dungeness fisheries were also closed in the fall of 2004. The Department is currently planning to resurvey the Yakutat Dungeness stock in June of 2012.

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