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FISHERY UPDATE



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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL POT SHRIMP FISHERY UPDATE

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game today announced the following information to assist harvesters and processors involved in the Southeast Alaska pot shrimp fishery. This notification is for information only and is expected to change as the fishing fleet moves from previously closed districts. Specific closure announcements will generally occur for each district two or three days prior to the closure. Harvest estimates are as of October 11, 2018. Due to the Alaska Day holiday on October 18, state offices will be closed. Therefore, the next pot shrimp update will occur on **Wednesday, October 17, 2018**.

District 1: Estimated harvest: 44,000 pounds. The GHL is 64,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close on Monday, October 15, 2018.

District 2: Estimated harvest: 30,500 pounds. The GHL is 30,000 pounds. **District 2 will close at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 11, 2018.**

Section 3-A: Estimated harvest: 115,000 pounds. The GHL is 114,000 pounds. **Section 3-A closed at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 10, 2018.**

Sections 3-B/C: Estimated harvest: 10,000 pounds. The GHL is 30,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close between October 15 and October 20, 2018.

District 4: No reported harvest. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close February 28, 2019.

District 5: No reported harvest. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close February 28, 2019.

Sections 6-B/C/D: Estimated harvest: 19,000 pounds. The preseason GHL is 42,900 pounds. This area is being managed under an inseason management regime. The inseason GHL will be determined by October 16. Accurate closure dates cannot be estimated until an inseason GHL is determined; however, it is expected District 6 will close between October 18 and October 22, 2018.

District 7: Estimated harvest: 71,000 pounds. **The GHL will remain at 74,300 pounds. District 7 will close at 4:00 p.m., Friday, October 12, 2018.**

Sections 8-B/6-A: Estimated harvest: 8,000 pounds. The GHL is 15,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close between October 16 and October 20, 2018.

Sections 8-A/10-C: Estimated harvest: 4,000 pounds. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close between October 15 and October 25, 2018.

District 9: Estimated harvest: 5,500 pounds. The GHL is 6,500 pounds. **The season closed at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10, 2018.**

Sections 10-A/B: Reported harvest: 28,200 pounds. **Sections 10-A/B closed at 4:00 p.m., Monday, October 8, 2018.**

District 11-Seymour Canal: Estimated harvest: 11,400 pounds. **District 11-Seymour Canal closed at 4:00 p.m., Monday, October 8, 2018.**

District 11-Remainder: No reported harvest. The GHL is 4,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close by October 31, 2018.

District 12-Tenakee Inlet: Harvest is confidential. District 12-Tenakee Inlet closed at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 2, 2018.

Section 13-A/B: Estimated harvest: 12,000 pounds. The GHL is 15,000 pounds. **The season will close at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 13, 2018.**

Sections 13-C: Estimated harvest: 14,000 pounds. The GHL was 16,000 pounds. The season closed at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 6, 2018.

District 14: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 7,500 pounds. It is estimated the season will close by October 31, 2018.

District 15: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 11,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close February 28, 2019.

District 16: Harvest is confidential. The GHL is 15,000 pounds. It is estimated the season will close by November 30, 2018.

All commercial shrimp fishermen are required to notify the department within two business days of deploying gear and within two business days after ceasing fishing in a district, or portion of a district, with a GHL. Catcher/Processor and Catcher/Seller vessels must call the Fish and Game area office that manages the district they are fishing and report harvest information between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., once per week by 12:00 noon each Wednesday, every week they conduct fishing operations.

If warranted, the department may re-open a district 14 days after a closure, with a four-day notice. The estimate for when a district is to close may be highly variable. The redistribution of effort as the season progresses may greatly influence the daily harvest rates in districts.

Number of boats, week 41 (Oct 7-Oct 13). Data compiled October 11.

District	1	3B/C	4	5	6B/C/D	7	8B/6A	8A/10C	11RoD	13A/B	14	15	16
Boats	18	6	0	0	3	16	3	4	0	6	*	*	*
*Confidential													
No reported harvest: Districts 4, 5, 11-RoD.													

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