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**EXTENSION OF TANNER CRAB FISHING SEASON IN BEAVER, BALBOA AND  
STEPOVAK BAYS IN THE EASTERN SECTION OF THE SOUTH PENINSULA  
DISTRICT**

**EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 4-S-4-13**

As previously announced, waters north of 55° 20' N. latitude in the Eastern Section of the South Peninsula District were scheduled to close to Tanner crab fishing at 6:00 p.m. Monday, January 21, 2013. As of 6:00 p.m. Monday, January 21, 2013 the targeted guideline harvest level in waters north of 55° 20' N. latitude was not achieved; therefore, waters north of 55° 20' N. latitude will remain open until 6:00 p.m. January 22, 2013. The daily fishing period from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. remains in effect.

All pots within the closed area must be open and unbaited at the time of the closure. Unbaited pots may be stored in the closed area at any depth for 72 hours. After 72 hours, all pots remaining in the closed area must be removed from the water or placed in waters 25 fathoms in depth or less. Gear remaining in the closed area may only be retrieved between 8:00 a.m. and 5:59 p.m. Vessel operators are not required to deliver crab harvested from the closed area prior to targeting Tanner crab in other areas of the Eastern Section of the South Peninsula District that remain open to Tanner crab fishing.

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