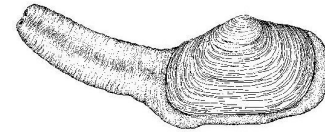

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA GEODUCK CLAM FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

The following areas will be open for the commercial harvest of geoduck clams for live sale from **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Thursday, October 13, 2011:**

District 3:

Portillo Channel (Subdistrict 103-50-008): will be open for a remaining harvest of 18,000 pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Little Steamboat Bay (Subdistrict 103-70-002): will be open for a remaining harvest of 20,000 pounds of whole geoduck clams;

Steamboat Bay (Subdistrict 103-70-003): will be open for a remaining harvest of 33,000 pounds of whole geoduck clams.

Districts 3 and 4:

Maurelle Islands (Subdistricts 103-70-009, 103-80-009, 104-40-009, 104-50-009): will be open for a remaining harvest of 36,000 pounds of whole geoduck clams.

By regulation, all geoducks harvested must be clearly labeled with the date of harvest, the harvester's name and the location of harvest. **Geoducks from different areas must be kept separated until they are delivered to a processor or dealer and recorded on a fish ticket.**

In order to facilitate weekly sampling schedules the Alaska Department of Fish and Game must receive timely information about the daily harvest by area. Divers are requested to contact the company buying their geoduck clams with an estimate of pounds harvested. **All companies buying geoduck clams are requested to call the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Commercial Fisheries, Ketchikan office before 12:00 noon on Friday, October 14, 2011 with a harvest estimate by subdistrict.**

The emergency order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M1211

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