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Advisory Announcement

For Immediate Release: July 10, 2023

DISTRICT 15 DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY EXTENSION

Section 15-C: will be **extended for 48 hours and will close at 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 13, 2023,** with the following restrictions:

<u>Lynn Canal</u>: will be closed north of 58°36.96′ N lat (approximately 1.5 nautical miles (nmi) north of the latitude of Vanderbilt Reef Light) and west of a line from 58°36.96′ N lat 135°01.13′ W long to Vanderbilt Reef Light at 58°35.46′ N lat, 135°01.13′ W long to Little Island Light at 58°32.41′ N lat, 135°02.83′ W long;

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is 6 inches;

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C: will be **extended for 48 hours and will close at 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 13, 2023,** in the outer waters of the Boat Harbor Terminal Harvest Area (THA) east of 135°09.57′ W long within 2.0 nmi of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal south of the latitude of Lance Point at 58°43.95′ N lat and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°36.96′ N lat, with the following restrictions:

William Henry Bay: will be closed south of 58°42.93′ N lat;

Gillnet mesh restriction: maximum allowed mesh size is 6 inches;

Night closure: closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

Section 15-C: the Boat Harbor THA will remain open until further notice in the waters of Boat Harbor west of 135°09.57′ W long, with no restrictions.

All other waters of District 15 will close Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 12:00 noon as previously announced.

This announcement was made on the VHF radio on channel 68 at approximately 12:30 p.m., Monday, July 10, 2023.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3123.

Advisory announcement web site: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

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