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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL GEODUCK FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The following areas will be open for the commercial harvest of geoduck for live sale from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 7, and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, February 8, 2024:

Nakat Bay (Subdistrict 101-11-001): will be open for a remaining harvest of 7,000 pounds of geoduck;

Kelp Island (Subdistrict 101-21-001): will be open for a remaining harvest of 38,000 pounds of geoduck;

Kaigani Strait (Subdistrict 103-30-001): will be open for a remaining harvest of 16,000 pounds of geoduck;

<u>Tlevak Strait (Subdistricts 103-40-009, 103-50-009)</u>: will be open for a guideline harvest level of 41,600 pounds of geoduck;

<u>Bucareli Bay and contiguous waters (Subdistrict 103-50-003)</u>: will be open for a guideline harvest level of 7,100 pounds of geoduck.

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial geoduck fishery announcement dated September 8, 2023, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels. **All geoducks harvested must be clearly labeled with the date of harvest, the harvester's name, and the location of harvest.** Companies buying geoduck must contact the Fish and Game, Ketchikan office with a harvest report before 12:00 noon on Friday, February 9, 2024.

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