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Prince William Sound Area Shrimp Pot Fishery Second Fishing Period Emergency Order 2-SF-E-04-25

The second period of the Prince William Sound Area (PWSA) commercial shrimp pot fishery will open 8:00 a.m. May 11 and close 8:00 p.m. May 12 or by emergency order. ADF&G staff will closely monitor the harvest through daily call-in reports. Participants are reminded to monitor advisory announcements, the call-in reporting line, and the electronic reporting form for fishing period closures, fishing period extensions, and statistical area closures. Gear limits remain at a maximum of 25 shrimp pots per vessel and hours of gear operation will remain 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The area open to commercial fishing is Area 1 (Figure 1).

The first period of the PWSA commercial shrimp pot season opened at 8:00 am May 1 with a guideline harvest level (GHL) of 32,258 pounds and closed at 8:00 p.m. May 7. The estimated harvest is 28,000 pounds of whole shrimp harvested by 55 vessels. Estimated effort was 12,500 pot lifts with an average catch per unit effort (CPUE) of 2.3 pounds of whole shrimp per pot.

Reporting Requirements

Daily harvest reporting is still required for the 2025 fishery in addition to pre-trip check ins and landing reports. Please indicate whether you are reporting daily harvest or a landing. Both reports are required. See your registration packet for detailed reporting instructions.

Call: 907-226-3474

Text: 501-288-9818

Electronic reporting: <https://ee.kobotoolbox.org/x/MDIpPOGc> or scan QR code below.



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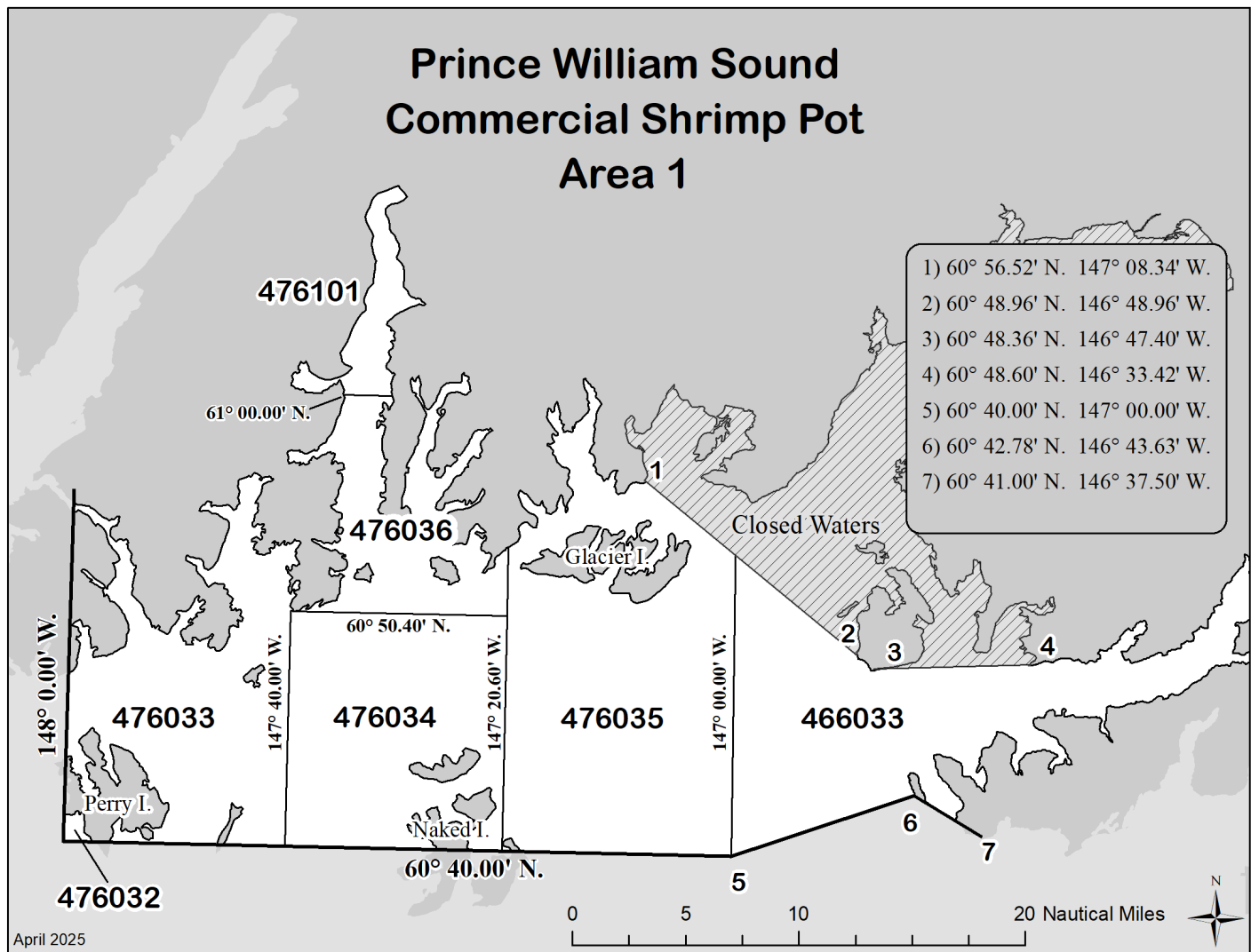


Figure 1.- Statistical areas for Area 1 shrimp pot fishery and closed waters.