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**2025 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL RED AND BLUE KING CRAB
FISHERY CLOSURE**

The commercial red and blue king crab fishery in the Lower Chatham Strait and Southern management areas will close on **January 7, 2026, at 12:00 noon**, concluding the 2025–26 red and blue king crab commercial fishery. Based on an analysis of effort levels and harvest projections, the harvest is not expected to reach the respective guideline harvest levels by the closure date.

Effort and harvest for both management areas is very low with no appreciable amount of legal-sized crab found.

A vessel may leave gear in a stored condition for seven days following the season closure of Registration Area A [5 AAC 34.127(1)]. Permit holders are reminded to review landing requirements in 5 AAC 34.031.

The emergency order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1C1026.

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

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