



Advisory Announcement
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**2025/26 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY
ANNOUNCEMENT**

The following areas will be open **from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 18, Monday, January 19, and Tuesday, January 20, 2026:**

District 1

George Inlet, Bold Island, and Carroll Inlet (Subdistricts 101-40, 44, 45, 46, and 48);
Rudyard Bay, East Behm Canal, and Walker Cove (Subdistricts 101-51, 60, 71, and 73);
North Behm Canal (Subdistrict 101-80);

District 12

Howard Bay and Couverden Island area (portions of Subdistricts 112-15 and 61 and 114-25);

District 13

Sitka Sound, Krestof Sound, and Nakwasina Sound (Subdistricts 113-40, 41, 42, and 43).

The following areas will be open **with a 2,500-pound area specific trip limit from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 18, Monday, January 19, and Tuesday, January 20, 2026:**

District 9

Eastern Baranof Island (Subdistrict 109-20);

District 11

Southern Lynn Canal, East Mansfield Peninsula, and Auke Bay (Subdistrict 111-50);

District 12

Freshwater Bay and Western Chatham Strait (Subdistricts 112-12, 13, and 50).

Fishers and processors are reminded that an accurate fish ticket is required at the time of delivery. A fish ticket must be filled out according to 5 AAC 39.130 (c). Fishers must verify at the time of landing with the tender or processor that all information is accurate before signing the fish ticket, including statistical area, pounds of sea cucumbers harvested, and any overages.

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial sea cucumber fishery announcement dated August 28, 2025, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels (GHLs). The next advisory announcement following this opening will be available on **Thursday, January 22, 2026**.

State offices will be closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, January 19, 2026.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1M0526.

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Statistical Week 3

Area Description	Statistical Area(s)	GHL	Harvest to Date	Remaining GHL
Willard and Fillmore Inlets	101-11-002	47,800	42,300	CLOSED
Revilla Channel and S Clarence Strait	101-21	58,100	56,300	CLOSED
Revilla Channel and Felice Strait	101-23	179,900	173,900	CLOSED
George Inlet, Bold Island, and Carroll Inlet	101-40,44,45,46,48	120,200	107,400	12,800
Tongass Narrows	101-47	84,100	83,100	CLOSED
Rudyard Bay, E Behm, Walker Cove	101-51,60,71,73	47,500	***	***
North Behm Canal	101-80	69,600	24,400	45,200
Cholmondeley Sound	102-40	228,600	242,100	CLOSED
Clarence Strait	102-50	86,900	84,300	CLOSED
Northern Clarence Strait	106-10,20,22,25	196,900	212,100	CLOSED
Eastern Baranof Island	109-20	55,900	***	***
S Lynn Canal, E Manfield, and Auke Bay	111-50	42,900	***	***
Freshwater Bay and W Chatham Strait	112-12,13,50	141,900	64,900	77,000
Howard Bay and Couverden Island	112-15,61;114-25	10,800	0	10,800
E Chatham, Wilson, Whitewater & Chaik	112-18,19,80,90	31,900	28,600	CLOSED
Sitka, Krestof, and Nakwasina Sound	113-40,41,42,43	171,400	***	***
Hoonah Sound	113-55,56,57,58	131,700	123,800	CLOSED
Totals		1,706,100	1,412,200	294,400

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