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Advisory Announcement

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Closure of the Directed Commercial Black Rockfish Fishery and Bycatch Allowance Reduction in the Afognak District of the Kodiak Area

Emergency Order 4-GF-14-26

The directed commercial black rockfish jig gear fishery in the Afognak District of the Kodiak Area will close at 11:59 p.m. March 31, 2026. Catch reports indicate black rockfish harvest in the Afognak District has reached the guideline harvest level.

Following the closure, vessels may retain black rockfish in the Afognak District as bycatch, up to 5% by weight of the target species onboard. Operators of vessels registered for the Afognak District must contact ADF&G in Kodiak to change district registration prior to targeting black rockfish outside of the Afognak District.

For more information, contact ADF&G in Kodiak at (907) 486-1840.

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