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Advisory Announcement

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Registration Area J Dungeness Crab Season Closure Reminder

The commercial Dungeness crab season in Kodiak, Chignik, Alaska Peninsula, North Peninsula, and Aleutian Districts of Registration Area J will close by regulation at 11:59 p.m. October 31, 2026.

At the time of the closure, all pots must be secured fully open with all bait and bait containers removed. All pots must be removed from the water within seven days following the closure. Vessels may not have crab onboard more than 24 hours after the closure. Vessel operators that are unable to make a landing within 24 hours of the closure or intend to make a landing outside of Registration Area J must contact ADF&G.

For more information, contact ADF&G in Kodiak at (907) 486-1840 or Dutch Harbor at (907) 581-1239.

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