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2019/20 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Petersburg . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information concerning the commercial harvest of sea cucumbers in Southeast Alaska during the 2019/20 season,

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., Monday, January 6, and from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 7, 2020:

District 1:

Rudyerd Bay, East Behm Canal, and Walker Cove (Subdistricts 101-60, 71, and 73);

District 2:

Clarence Strait and Dixon Entrance (Subdistrict 102-10).

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the August 27, 2019 sea cucumber fishery news release announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels. The next advisory announcement following this opening will be available on **Thursday, January 9, 2020**.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M0120.

2019-2020 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery									
	Statistical		Harvest	Remaining GHL					
Area Description	Area(s)	GHL	to Date						
Willard and Fillmore	101-11-002	54,700	60,574	CLOSED					
Revilla Channel and Clarence Strait	101-21	76,000	90,639	CLOSED					
Revilla Channel and Felice Strait	101-23	225,500	249,583	CLOSED					
George Inlet, Bold Is. and Carroll	101-40,44,45,46,48	136,200	130,929	CLOSED					
Tongass Narrows	101-47	84,400	85,895	CLOSED					
East Behm Canal and Smeaton Bay	101-51,55	79,700	81,227	CLOSED					
Rudyerd Bay, E. Behm, Walker Cove	101-60,71,73	51,300	27,309	23,991					
North Behm Canal	101-80	107,200	105,351	CLOSED					
Clarence Strait and Dixon Entrance	102-10	11,700	***	***					
Cholmondeley Sound	102-40	203,800	201,519	CLOSED					
Clarence Strait	102-50	79,700	93,225	CLOSED					
Bucareli Bay and Port Real Marina	103-50	10,700	10,936	CLOSED					
Northern Clarence Strait	106-10,20,22,25	239,500	238,220	CLOSED					
Eastern Baranof Island	109-20	68,700	77,095	CLOSED					
Southern Lynn Canal	111-50	45,000	41,265	CLOSED					
Chatham Strait, Wilson Cove, Whitewater and Chaik Bay	112-18,19,80,90	50,700	78,011	CLOSED					
Freshwater Bay and Chatham Strait	112-12,13,50	185,800	185,756	CLOSED					
Howard Bay and Couverden Is.	112-15,61;114-25	34,300	***	CLOSED					
Sitka, Krestof, and Nakwasina Sound	113-40,42,43	74,400	77,604	CLOSED					
Hoonah Sound	113-55,56,57,58	89,700	91,148	CLOSED					
Totals		1,909,000	1,964,480	23,991*					

*** Confidential data

* Remaining confidential GHL has been removed from the Total Remaining GHL.

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