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## **Advisory Announcement**

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### **Prince William Sound Area Sablefish Fishery Season Extended through December 31 Emergency Order # 2-GF-E-06-20**

The Prince William Sound Area (PWS) sablefish season opened April 15 with a guideline harvest level (GHL) of 167,000 lb; by regulation the season runs through August 31. Because of health issues related to COVID-19, the PWS sablefish season will be extended through December 31, 2020. All other fishery regulations still apply.

For additional information, contact ADF&G in Homer, at 907-235-8191.

#### **COVID-19**

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 11, and 12, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: <https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/>.

Please visit the website [www.whittieralaska.gov](http://www.whittieralaska.gov) for COVID-19 information links regarding the City of Whittier.

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