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Prince William Sound Area Shrimp Pot Fishery Fishing Period Extension Emergency Order 2-SF-E-07-24

Commercial fishing in the Prince William Sound (PWS) commercial shrimp pot season will remain open until further notice, or until the end of the regulatory season on September 15, unless closed by emergency order. To date, approximately 26,000 lbs of the 46,809 lbs guideline harvest level (GHL), for the 2024 season, has been harvested. Estimated catch per unit effort (CPUE) is 0.9 lbs of whole shrimp per pot from approximately 29,000 pot lifts.

Gear limits will remain at 35 shrimp pots per vessel and hours of gear operation will remain from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily. Participants are reminded that only 50% of the GHL may be harvested in any one statistical area (5 AAC 31.214) and to **monitor advisory announcements and the call-in reporting line** for potential statistical area or period closures. Preliminary harvest for statistical area 486005 is approximately 17,000 lbs and the 50% harvest limit is 23,404 lbs.

Reminders to participants:

- 1) Check in every time you depart for fishing by calling the reporting line at (907) 226-3474.
- 2) Fish tickets and call-in reporting information must have effort and harvest separated by Statistical Area.
- 3) Pots may only be pulled by the ADF&G registered vessel associated with the gear.
- 4) Shrimp harvested by a vessel cannot be transported by another vessel participating in the fishery (except for a registered tender).
- 5) Logbook pages must be filled out completely and accurately each day and submitted with corresponding fish ticket(s).

Participants must call the reporting line with pre-trip and landing reports at (907) 226-3474 in order for ADF&G to monitor harvest; information to be reported is detailed in the registration packet that all registrants received. Reporting requirements must be followed exactly, and enforcement action will result for non-compliance. Contact ADF&G at (907) 235-8191 for further information.

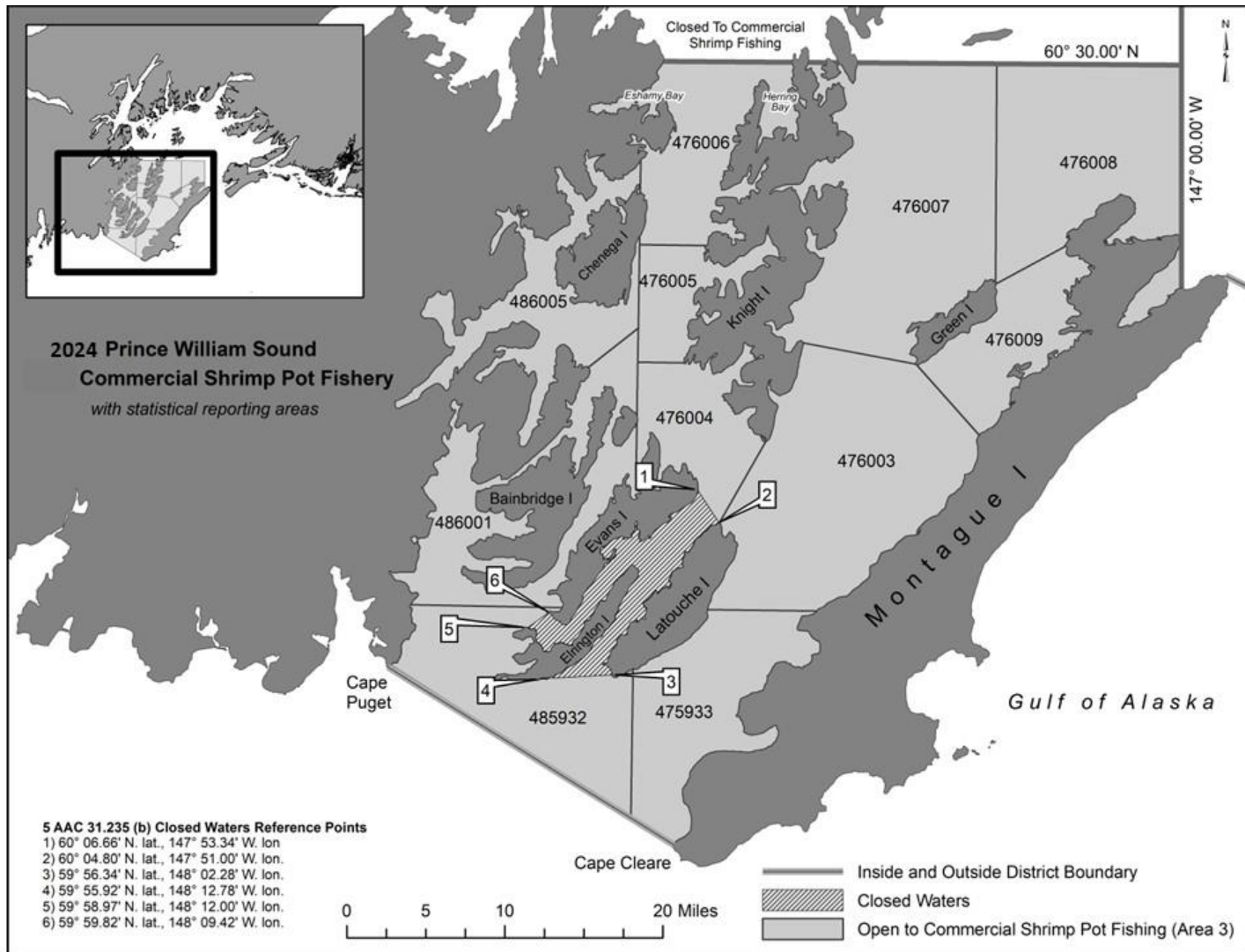


Figure 1.—2024 Prince William Sound Area shrimp pot fishery Area 3.