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## **Advisory Announcement**

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### **SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SHRIMP POT FISHERY CLOSURE**

**The following areas will close by regulation at 4:00 p.m., Monday, July 31, 2023:**

Sections 3-B/C: Reported harvest: 8,500 pounds. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. Sections 3-B/C may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2023.

District 4: Reported harvest: 8,500 pounds. The GHL is 20,000 pounds. District 4 may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2023.

District 5: Reported harvest: 5,200 pounds. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. District 5 may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2023.

Sections 8-A/10-C: Reported harvest: 10,700 pounds. The GHL is 12,000 pounds. Sections 8-A/10-C will not reopen for a fall/winter season.

Sections 8-B/6-A: Reported harvest: 15,400 pounds. The GHL is 15,000 pounds. Sections 8-B/6-A will not reopen for a fall/winter season.

District 14: Reported harvest: 3,200 pounds. The GHL is 7,500 pounds. District 14 may reopen by emergency order on October 1, 2023.

All shrimp pot gear must be removed from the water or placed in storage by the time of the closure. Pots may be stored in the waters of Districts 4, 5, 14, and Sections 3-B/C, 8-A/10-C, and 8-B/6-A until 4:00 p.m., Monday, August 7, 2023. Stored pots must have all doors secured fully open and all bait and bait containers removed.

Shrimp tickets must be submitted to an ADF&G office within seven days of the closure. Fishermen are reminded that catcher–sellers intending to sell shrimp to persons unlicensed to process shrimp (i.e. dock sales) must fill out an ADF&G fish ticket indicating the weight of the shrimp on board, by species, before any shrimp are removed from the vessel [5 AAC 31.143.(d)].

Catcher–processor vessels fishing in these areas are required to contact ADF&G and report within 72 hours of the closure. Catcher–processor vessels must report the pounds in whole weight by species of shrimp on board the vessel taken during the open shrimp–fishing period.

**The department will announce areas open for the fall/winter fishery no later than September 15, 2023. By September 15, the department will have had time to analyze all available harvest and biological data for areas with remaining quota. Areas that are determined to have less than desirable stock health or areas that have low remaining quota will not reopen for the fall/winter fishery.**

**2023/24 Southeast Alaska Shrimp Pot Fishery**

<b>Areas</b>	<b>2023/2024 GHL*</b>	<b>Pounds Harvested*</b>	<b>Boats</b>	<b>Closure Date</b>
District 1	50,000	39,400	14	30-May-23
District 2	40,000	40,000	9	26-May-23
Section 3-A	114,000	111,200	26	26-May-23
Sections 3-B/C	20,000	8,500	5	31-Jul-23
District 4	20,000	8,500	3	31-Jul-23
District 5	12,000	5,200	4	31-Jul-23
Sections 6-B/C/D	15,000	15,000	3	26-May-23
District 7	74,300	68,600	19	27-May-23
Sections 8-A/10-C	12,000	10,700	8	31-Jul-23
Sections 8-B/6-A	15,000	15,400	7	31-Jul-23
District 9	10,000	7,800	4	20-May-23
Sections 10-A/B	35,000	33,500	12	22-May-23
District 11-Seymour	4,000	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
Sections 11-A/B/C	Closed	4,400	3	2-Jun-23
District 12-Tenakee	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
District 12-Remainder	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
Sections 13-A/B	15,000	15,000	8	8-Jun-23
Section 13-C	Closed	N/A	N/A	No Fishery
District 14	7,500	3,200	3	31-Jul-23
District 15 (East Side)	3,500	Confidential	Confidential	1-Jun-23
District 15 (Remainder)	7,500	Confidential	Confidential	7-Jun-23
District 16	12,000	Confidential	Confidential	17-Jun-23
<b>Total Harvest</b>	<b>466,800</b>	<b>410,000</b>	<b>100</b>	

\*GHL and harvest is pounds of whole shrimp. All GHLs and harvest is spot shrimp only except for District 16 and Sections 11-A/B/C which are spot and coonstripe shrimp, and District 15 which is coonstripe shrimp only.

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