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**2025/26 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY
ANNOUNCEMENT**

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 11, Monday, January 12, and Tuesday, January 13, 2026:

District 1

George Inlet, Bold Island, and Carroll Inlet (Subdistricts 101-40, 44, 45, 46, and 48);
Rudyard Bay, East Behm Canal, and Walker Cove (Subdistricts 101-51, 60, 71, and 73);
North Behm Canal (Subdistrict 101-80);

District 12

Howard Bay and Couverden Island area (portions of Subdistricts 112-15 and 61 and 114-25);

District 13

Sitka Sound, Krestof Sound, and Nakwasina Sound (Subdistricts 113-40, 41, 42, and 43).

The following areas will be open with a 2,500-pound area specific trip limit from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 11, Monday, January 12, and Tuesday, January 13, 2026:

District 9

Eastern Baranof Island (Subdistrict 109-20);

District 11

Southern Lynn Canal, East Mansfield Peninsula, and Auke Bay (Subdistrict 111-50);

District 12

Freshwater Bay and Western Chatham Strait (Subdistricts 112-12, 13, and 50).

Fishers and processors are reminded that an accurate fish ticket is required at the time of delivery. A fish ticket must be filled out according to 5 AAC 39.130 (c). Fishers must verify at the time of landing with the tender or processor that all information is accurate before signing the fish ticket, including statistical area, pounds of sea cucumbers harvested, and any overages.

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial sea cucumber fishery announcement dated August 28, 2025, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels (GHLs). The next advisory announcement following this opening will be available on **Thursday, January 15, 2026**.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1M0326.

**2025/26 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery
Statistical Week 2**

| Area Description | Statistical Area(s) | GHL | Harvest to Date | Remaining GHL |
|--|----------------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Willard and Fillmore Inlets | 101-11-002 | 47,800 | 42,300 | CLOSED |
| Revilla Channel and S Clarence Strait | 101-21 | 58,100 | 56,300 | CLOSED |
| Revilla Channel and Felice Strait | 101-23 | 179,900 | 173,900 | CLOSED |
| George Inlet, Bold Island, and Carroll Inlet | 101-40,44,45,46,48 | 120,200 | 104,100 | 16,100 |
| Tongass Narrows | 101-47 | 84,100 | 83,100 | CLOSED |
| Rudyerd Bay, E Behm, Walker Cove | 101-51,60,71,73 | 47,500 | *** | *** |
| North Behm Canal | 101-80 | 69,600 | 24,400 | 45,200 |
| Cholmondeley Sound | 102-40 | 228,600 | 242,100 | CLOSED |
| Clarence Strait | 102-50 | 86,900 | 84,300 | CLOSED |
| Northern Clarence Strait | 106-10,20,22,25 | 196,900 | 212,100 | CLOSED |
| Eastern Baranof Island | 109-20 | 55,900 | *** | *** |
| S Lynn Canal, E Manfield, and Auke Bay | 111-50 | 42,900 | *** | *** |
| Freshwater Bay and W Chatham Strait | 112-12,13,50 | 141,900 | 64,900 | 77,000 |
| Howard Bay and Couverden Island | 112-15,61;114-25 | 10,800 | 0 | 10,800 |
| E Chatham, Wilson, Whitewater & Chaik | 112-18,19,80,90 | 31,900 | 28,600 | CLOSED |
| Sitka, Krestof, and Nakwasina Sound | 113-40,41,42,43 | 171,400 | *** | *** |
| Hoonah Sound | 113-55,56,57,58 | 131,700 | 123,800 | CLOSED |
| Totals | | 1,706,100 | 1,403,800 | 302,800 |

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