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

The following areas will be open **from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 22, Monday, March 23, Tuesday, March 24, and Wednesday, March 25, 2026:**

**District 1**

Rudyerd Bay, East Behm Canal, and Walker Cove (Subdistricts 101-51, 60, 71, and 73);

North Behm Canal (Subdistrict 101-80);

**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 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 22, Monday, March 23, Tuesday, March 24, and Wednesday, March 25, 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);

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

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. Sea cucumber harvest must be reported to the department by 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays each week.

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, March 26, 2026.**

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1M1726.  
Sea Cucumber Fishery SW 13

**2025/26 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery  
Statistical Week 12**

<b>Area Description</b>	<b>Statistical Area(s)</b>	<b>GHL</b>	<b>Harvest to Date</b>	<b>Remaining GHL</b>
Willard and Fillmore Inlets	101-11-002	47,800	42,300	<b>CLOSED</b>
Revilla Channel and S Clarence Strait	101-21	58,100	56,300	<b>CLOSED</b>
Revilla Channel and Felice Strait	101-23	179,900	173,900	<b>CLOSED</b>
George Inlet, Bold Island, and Carroll Inlet	101-40,44,45,46,48	120,200	118,900	<b>CLOSED</b>
Tongass Narrows	101-47	84,100	83,100	<b>CLOSED</b>
Rudyard Bay, E Behm, Walker Cove	101-51,60,71,73	47,500	***	***
North Behm Canal	101-80	69,600	***	***
Cholmondeley Sound	102-40	228,600	242,100	<b>CLOSED</b>
Clarence Strait	102-50	86,900	84,300	<b>CLOSED</b>
Northern Clarence Strait	106-10,20,22,25	196,900	212,100	<b>CLOSED</b>
Eastern Baranof Island	109-20	55,900	33,200	<b>22,700</b>
S Lynn Canal, E Manfield, and Auke Bay	111-50	42,900	***	***
Freshwater Bay and W Chatham Strait	112-12,13,50	141,900	101,900	<b>40,000</b>
Howard Bay and Couverden Island	112-15,61;114-25	10,800	0	<b>10,800</b>
E Chatham, Wilson, Whitewater & Chaik	112-18,19,80,90	31,900	28,600	<b>CLOSED</b>
Sitka, Krestof, and Nakwasina Sound	113-40,41,42,43	171,400	***	***
Hoonah Sound	113-55,56,57,58	131,700	123,800	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1,706,100</b>	<b>1,502,800</b>	<b>202,500</b>

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