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WASHINGTON COASTAL DUNGNESS CRAB INDUSTRY NOTICE

Reminder re: coastal Dungeness crab regulations.

- A weekly landing limit of 4,000 pounds remains in effect.
- The area outside 4 miles remains closed.
- The 2009/10 Coastal Dungeness Crab Fishery will close at 11:59 p.m. on September 15, 2010.

LANDING LIMIT: It is unlawful for any person licensed to fish under a Dungeness crab-coastal fishery license to possess or land crab in excess of 4,000 pounds taken during each of the following remaining coastal crab accounting periods:

August 29, 20201 through September 4, 2010 September 5 through September 11, 2010 September 12 through September 15, 2010

It is unlawful for any person to fish for crab during any accounting period while having on board any crab taken in a different accounting period. **NOTE:** It is also unlawful to possess crab in excess of the weekly landing limit at any time.

WDFW will continue to test the condition of crab at dockside buying stations and on shipboard ride along trips until the close of the season

FOUR MILE CLOSURE: It is unlawful to place gear, fish for or possess Dungeness crab for commercial purposes in the following areas from 8:00 a.m. August 1, 2010 through September 15, 2010: Those waters west of straight lines drawn in sequence from south to north between the following coordinates:

| Land description | Coordinate | Land description | Coordinate |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| (a) Wash – Ore border | 46°15.00'N / 124°10.00'W | (i) Cape Elizabeth | 47°20.00'N / 124°25.00'W |
| (b) Seaview | 46°20.00'N / 124°10.00'W | (j) Raft River | 47°27.00'N / 124°28.60'W |
| (c) Willapa Bay entr. | 46°40.00'N / 124°10.00'W | (follow TD 41880 to waypoint # 11 N. Destruction Island) | |
| (d) N. Willapa Bay Spits | 46°43.50'N / 124°11.50'W | (k) N. Destruction Is. | 47°42.40'N / 124°31.50'W |
| (e) Grayland | 46°50.00'N / 124°12.30'W | (l) Lapush | 47°55.00'N / 124°46.00'W |
| (f) Grays Harbor | 46°54.70'N / 124°16.00'W | (m) Carol Island | 48°00.00'N / 124°49.50'W |
| (g) Ocean Shores | 47°00.00'N / 124°16.00'W | (n) N. Lake Ozette | 48°07.60'N / 124°51.40'W |
| (h) Moclips | 47°15.00'N / 124°19.00'W | (o) Makah Bay | 48°20.00'N / 124°50.00'W |
| | | (p) Cape Flattery | Point on land |