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Oregon Ocean Commercial Dungeness Crab Permit Holders and Interested Persons,

Fishery managers from Washington, Oregon and California met today to review results of the latest round of pre-season crab testing and determine a season opening structure. The commercial Dungeness crab fishery will open in Oregon as follows:

64 hr presoak begins (setting gear): December 13, 8:00AM

Hold Inspections: December 15, see attached schedule

Start date (pulling gear): December 16, 12:01AM

The fishery off northern California opened December 1, 2013 from Pt. Arena to the Oregon/California border.

Fair start provision and permit transfers reminders:

To promote a "fair start" for all crab fishermen in the tri-state area, **vessels that elect to fish in the northern California area prior to December 16th, 2013, may not fish in Oregon until January 15th, 2014.** Any vessel that does not set any gear in northern California prior to December 16th is not bound by Oregon fair start provisions and may begin fishing in Oregon (including the Oregon presoak), according to the schedule above. To preserve the intent of the 30-day fair start provision and provide for an orderly start, ODFW has suspended the transfer of crab vessel permits from one vessel to another vessel until January 15th, 2014, except in the event a vessel is unintentionally destroyed.

Under California law (which impacts California permit holders), fishers that elect to fish south of Pt. Arena (District 10) prior to December 16th, 2013, are subject to restrictions on fishing northern areas, including Oregon and Washington. For further information on this subject, please contact the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Vessel Hold Inspections reminders:

Vessel hold inspections will be on Sunday, December 15th. During hold inspections the vessel operator or owner must declare their intention to fish north or south of the Oregon/California border. Each inspection certificate must be signed by the vessel operator or owner, not by a crewman.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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Dungeness Crab Hold Inspection Schedule

For the 2013-14 Commercial Season

Sunday, December 15, 2013

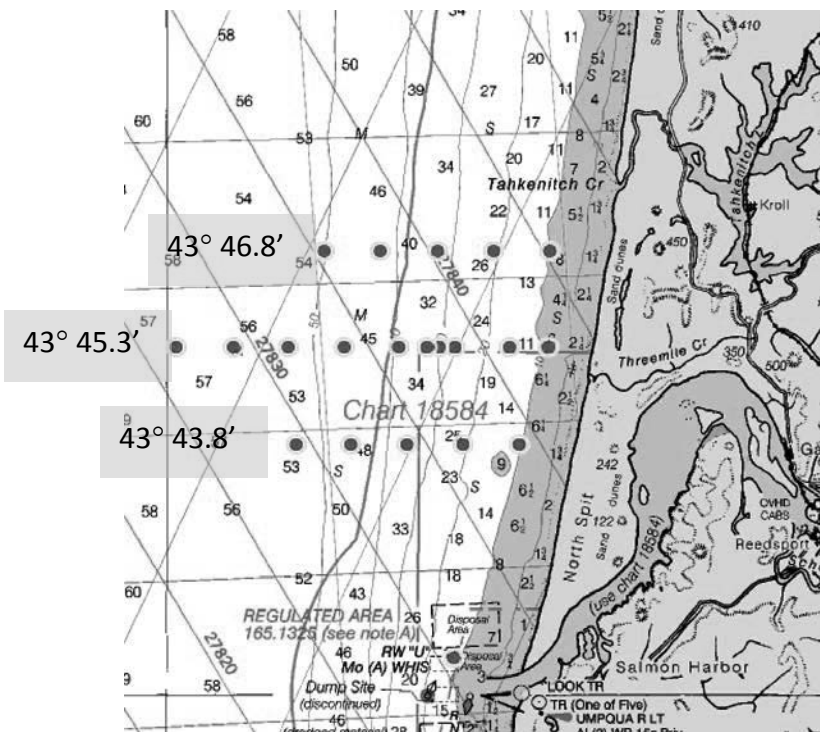
After hours contact for all locations: **(800) 452-7888**

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CONTACT NUMBER</u>
COLUMBIA RIVER		(503) 325-5515
Warrenton Deep Sea	12 - 1:00 P.M.	
Hammond Boat Basin	1 - 1:30 P.M.	
Warrenton Boat Basin	2 - 3:00 P.M.	
Astoria West End Basin	3 - 3:30 P.M.	
Astoria East End Basin	3 - 3:30 P.M.	
GARIBALDI		(503) 842-2899
Boat Basin	1 - 3 P.M.	
PACIFIC CITY	9-11 A.M.	(503) 842-2899
DEPOE BAY		(541) 265-5354
Boat Basin	12 - 1 P.M.	
NEWPORT		(541) 265-5354
South Beach Marina	12 - 1 P.M.	
Seafood Proc. Docks-Bay Blvd.	12 - 4 P.M.	
Port Dock 3, 5 & 7	12 - 4 P.M.	
FLORENCE		(541) 997-9635
Carvalho Fisheries	12 Noon	
Port Docks	1 P.M.	
WINCHESTER BAY		(541) 888-2677
Boat Basin	12 - 2 P.M.	
CHARLESTON		(541) 888-2677
Small Boat Basin	12 - 1 P.M.	
Charleston Boat Basin	1 - 3 P.M.	
Hallmark Fisheries	3 - 4 P.M.	
BANDON		(541) 888-2677
Boat Basin	3:30 - 4 P.M.	
PORT ORFORD		(541) 247-6641
Dock	12 - 2:30 P.M.	
BROOKINGS		(541) 247-6641
Boat Basin	12 - 4 P.M.	
Port Docks	12 - 4 P.M.	

REVISED NOTICE - RESEARCH PROJECT IN PROGRESS

Study: Potential Impacts of Wave Energy Development to Migration and Habitat Use of Green Sturgeon

ODFW and NOAA are collecting baseline data on green sturgeon migrations in the vicinity of the OPT wave energy project offshore of Reedsport. An array of 20 underwater acoustic receivers in place through June 2014 will detect sturgeon and other tagged animals including salmon and sharks as they pass through the area. **The configuration of the array has recently changed and the gear is now arranged on exact latitude lines as shown.** The surface floats and line resemble crab gear except that the floats are marked "RESEARCH" (see photo). Please do not disturb the equipment. However, if you find gear obviously adrift or grounded far from the project area, please retrieve it and call the phone number below to notify us (note: there is one mooring near the mouth of the Umpqua). The cooperation of the fishing fleet and other ocean users is critical to the success of this project. Thank you for your assistance!



Receivers shown as red/yellow dots, arranged on exact latitude lines. Approx. boundaries of array: 43° 43.8' to 43° 46.8' latitude and 124° 19.80' to 124° 11.49' longitude, PLUS one receiver near the mouth of the Umpqua River



Surface floats on the research gear. In summer the gear will additionally be equipped with red flags and radar reflectors

For questions or lost and found research gear, please contact:

John Payne, Project Manager,
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Tel. (206) 484-4768

or

Capt. Al Pazar
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Pacific Surveyor and *Delma Ann* monitor
VHF Channels: 11, 73, 16

Exact coordinates of the array. All coordinates are in degrees-decimal minutes. The units are labeled N (North), C (center) and S (south), with numbers starting from 1 at the shore and increasing with distance offshore. P1 is at the mouth of the Umpqua.

Station name	Latitude	Longitude	Depth (fa)
N1*	43 46.8	-124 11.812	13
N3*	43 46.8	-124 13.02	25
N5*	43 46.8	-124 14.215	38
N7*	43 46.8	-124 15.424	46
N9T*	43 46.8	-124 16.63	52
C1*	43 45.3	-124 11.842	8
C3*	43 45.3	-124 12.668	16
C5T*	43 45.3	-124 13.827	27
C8*	43 45.3	-124 14.424	35
C9T*	43 45.3	-124 15.027	42
C11*	43 45.3	-124 16.197	49
C13*	43 45.3	-124 17.405	54
C15*	43 45.3	-124 18.585	56
C17*	43 45.3	-124 19.79	58
S1*	43 43.8	-124 12.465	10
S3*	43 43.8	-124 13.664	22
S5*	43 43.8	-124 14.857	36
S7*	43 43.8	-124 16.0485	47
S9*	43 43.8	-124 17.24	52
P1	43 40.511	-124 13.8601	12