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Oregon Ocean Commercial Dungeness Crab Permit Holders and Interested Persons,

Based on domoic acid results and consultations with the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) and the Oregon commercial crab industry, we are opening the ocean commercial Dungeness crab season north of Cape Blanco (42° 50' 00" N. Lat.) to the OR/WA border as follows:

73 hr presoak begins (setting gear): <u>December 29, 8:00AM</u> Hold Inspections: <u>December 31, see schedule on back</u> Start date (pulling gear): <u>January 1, 9:00AM</u>

Fair start provision reminders:

Fair Start provisions will be in place for all delayed areas in Oregon. A vessel used for fishing crab in any open zone within the Tri-State management area (from Klipsan Beach, WA south to Point Arena, CA) may not be used for fishing crab in any other zone within the Tri-State area that opens at a later date until 30 days after the later opening date.

Vessel Hold Inspections reminders:

Vessels must obtain a hold inspection prior to participating in the fishery for the first 30 days after opening. The vessel operator or owner must declare on the pre-season hold inspection certificate the zone in which the vessel will start fishing. Each inspection certificate must be signed by the vessel operator or owner, not by a crewman.

We would like to thank everyone involved with preseason meat recovery and domoic acid testing efforts this year to help us ensure that Oregon Dungeness crab are of excellent quality and safe to consume.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

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2016-17 Commercial Dungeness Crab Season Opening Information for the area OR/WA border to Cape Blanco

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Dungeness Crab Hold Inspection Schedule After hours contact for all locations: (800) 452-7888

LOCATION	TIME	CONTACT NUMBER
COLUMBIA RIVER Warrenton Deep Sea Hammond Boat Basin Warrenton Boat Basin Astoria West End Basin Astoria East End Basin	12 - 1P.M. 1 - 1:30 P.M. 2 - 3 P.M. 3 - 3:30 P.M. 3 - 3:30 P.M.	(503) 325-2231
GARIBALDI Boat Basin	11 - 1 P.M.	(503) 842-4433
PACIFIC CITY	Call after 12 P.M.	(503) 842-4433
DEPOE BAY	Call after 12 P.M.	(541) 265-5353
NEWPORT South Beach Marina Seafood Proc. Docks-Bay Bvld. Port Dock 3, 5 & 7	12 - 1 P.M. 12 - 4 P.M. 12 - 4 P.M.	(541) 265-5353
FLORENCE	Call after 12 P.M.	(541) 997-2211
WINCHESTER BAY Boat Basin	11:30 - 12:30 P.M.	(541) 269-5000
CHARLESTON Small Boat Basin Charleston Boat Basin Hallmark Fisheries	12 - 1 P.M. 1 - 3 P.M. 3 - 4 P.M.	(541) 269-5000
BANDON	Call after 12 P.M	(541) 269-5000