

**WDFW INDUSTRY NOTICE TO:
COASTAL COMMERCIAL DUNGENESS CRAB FISHERS AND PROCESSORS**

Information Regarding Commercial Dungeness crab Regulations for the
2008-2009 Season
April 23, 2009

REMINDER-Quileute SMA

The Quileute SMA will open to state fishers May 1, 2009 according to the following provisions

The special management area (SMA) is described as marine waters east of a line approximating the 30-fathom line from 47°58.00' N. (Cape Johnson), south to 47°40.50' N. (Destruction Island), described as the marine waters within the following points:

- Northeast Corner; Cape Johnson - 47°58.00'N.
- Northwest Corner; 47°58.00' - 124°49.00'W.
- Southwest Corner; 47°40.50' - 124°40.00'W.
- Southeast Corner; Destruction Island - 47°40.50'N.

Effective 12:01 AM May 1, 2009 through 12:00 PM May 31, 2009, the Quileute SMA will open subject to the following restrictions: a vessel may use, maintain, operate, or control **no more than 100 pots within the Quileute SMA.**

Any individual that intends to fish within this SMA during the May 1-May 31, 2009 time period must notify the Department 48 hours in advance of setting any gear.

This notice must include the following information: name of person controlling the gear; vessel name; the amount of gear being deployed; and the buoy brand identification data.

This notice must be given by one of the following three means:

1. Fax transmission to Brandon Bryant at: 360-664-0689;
2. E-mail to: Brandon.Bryant@dfw.wa.gov; or
3. Telephone call to: Brandon Bryant at 360-249-1229,

Further, if an individual has provided the Department with a notice of intent to set gear and later decides not to deploy gear, a notice to that affect should be given by one of the three means listed above.

As of 12:01 AM on June 1, 2009 the Quileute SMA will be open with no limits on the number of crab pots fished.

If you have any questions pertaining to this notice please call Brandon Bryant (360) 249-1229.