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WASHINGTON COASTAL DUNGENESS CRAB INDUSTRY NOTICE

UPDATE: Crab Deliveries From California and Oregon

The Washington Department of Health (WDOH) received test results from the California Department of Public Health and notified the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) that crab meat has tested below the 20 ppm action level in the WDOH Biotoxin Management Plan. As a result, these crab can be delivered into a processing facility with an approved Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) plan in place for evisceration.

In addition, Dungeness crab in the area from Cape Blanco to Gold Beach Oregon (OR area 50-K) or Gold Beach to the Oregon/California border (OR area 50-L) has tested below the action level for domoic acid in the viscera. Those areas will open tomorrow, February 1, 2019 without any restrictions.

WDFW will handle crab deliveries into Washington ports from California until testing indicates that domoic acid levels are below the action level.

Please contact Dan Ayres at (360) 249- 1209 or, Daniel.Ayres@DFW.WA.gov with questions about crab landings into Washington.

Please contact Jerry Borchert at WDOH at (360) 236-3328 or, Jerry.Borchert@DOH.WA.GOV with questions on biotoxin monitoring.