



Advisory Announcement
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**2025/26 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY
 SUMMARY**

The 2025/26 Southeast Alaska sea cucumber fishery **closed by emergency order on Wednesday, April 29, 2026**. A proposal adopted into regulation by the Alaska Board of Fisheries during the 2025 Southeast and Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish meeting allowed the department to extend the season beyond March 31 to April 30 by emergency order. The fishery opened on October 6, 2025, with a total guideline harvest level (GHL) of 1,706,100 pounds of sea cucumbers. The fishery was opened weekly throughout the entire season. The 2025/26 season's harvest of 1,518,700 pounds was 11% under the total GHL. A total of 142 divers participated and made 1,122 landings. The maximum number of divers that participated in any single opening was 136 during the second opening of the season. The exvessel value for the season was approximately \$4.4 million, with an average price of \$2.87 per pound.

2025/26 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery

Area Description	Statistical Area(s)	GHL (pounds)	Harvest (pounds)	2025/26 Closure Date
Willard and Fillmore Inlets	101-11-002	47,800	42,300	November 18, 2025
Revilla Channel and S Clarence Strait	101-21	58,100	56,300	November 23, 2025
Revilla Channel and Felice Strait	101-23	179,900	173,900	October 28, 2025
George Inlet, Bold Island, and Carroll Inlet	101-40,44,45,46,48	120,200	118,900	January 27, 2026
Tongass Narrows	101-47	84,100	83,100	November 4, 2025
Rudyerd Bay, E Behm, Walker Cove	101-51,60,71,73	47,500	3,800	April 29, 2026
North Behm Canal	101-80	69,600	33,400	April 29, 2026
Cholmondeley Sound	102-40	228,600	242,100	December 9, 2025
Clarence Strait	102-50	86,900	84,300	November 17, 2025
Northern Clarence Strait	106-10,20,22,25	196,900	212,100	November 17, 2025
Eastern Baranof Island	109-20	55,900	39,700	April 29, 2026
S Lynn Canal, E Manfield, and Auke Bay	111-50	42,900	37,500	April 29, 2026
Freshwater Bay and W Chatham Strait	112-12,13,50	141,900	101,900	April 29, 2026
Howard Bay and Couverden Island	112-15,61;114-25	10,800	0	April 29, 2026
E Chatham, Wilson, Whitewater & Chaik	112-18,19,80,90	31,900	28,600	November 23, 2025
Sitka, Krestof, and Nakwasina Sound	113-40,41,42,43	171,400	137,000	April 29, 2026
Hoonah Sound	113-55,56,57,58	131,700	123,800	October 27, 2025
Totals		1,706,100	1,518,700	

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