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Oregon Ocean Commercial Dungeness Crab Permit Holders and Interested Persons,



Based on meat recovery and domoic acid results, and in consultation with the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), the Oregon commercial crab industry, and California and Washington fishery managers, 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): January 12, 8:00AM

Hold Inspections: January 14, see schedule on back

Start date (pulling gear): January 15, 9:00AM

The area from Cape Blanco to the Oregon/California border remains closed due to persistent domoic acid and the continuing ODA health advisory in the region. The opening date for this area has not yet been determined and will depend on results of additional domoic acid testing.

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 good quality and safe to consume.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

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2017-18 Commercial Dungeness Crab Season Opening Information

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Dungeness Crab Hold Inspection Schedule

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

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CONTACT NUMBER</u>
COLUMBIA RIVER		(503) 325-2231
Warrenton Deep Sea	12 - 1P.M.	
Hammond Boat Basin	1 - 1:30 P.M.	
Warrenton Boat Basin	2 - 3 P.M.	
Astoria West End Basin	3 - 3:30 P.M.	
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GARIBALDI		(503) 842-4433
Boat Basin	11 - 1 P.M.	
PACIFIC CITY	Call after 12 P.M.	(503) 842-4433
DEPOE BAY	Call after 12 P.M.	(541) 265-5353
NEWPORT		(541) 265-5353
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	Call after 12 P.M.	(541) 997-2211
WINCHESTER BAY		(541) 269-5000
Boat Basin	11:30 - 12:30 P.M.	
CHARLESTON		(541) 269-5000
Small Boat Basin	12 - 1 P.M.	
Charleston Boat Basin	1 - 3 P.M.	
Hallmark Fisheries	3 - 4 P.M.	
BANDON	Call after 12 P.M	(541) 269-5000

PORT ORFORD and BROOKINGS, call (541) 247-7050