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**WASHINGTON COASTAL DUNGENESS CRAB INDUSTRY NOTICE**

This is an update to let you know that the delay in the opening of the Washington commercial Dungeness crab fishery in the area south of Klispan Beach will continue. The specific date of when this area will open has not been determined.

Here is what we know:

- All crab tested recently tested in Washington were below the action level.
- Oregon is required to test more some crab samples for domoic acid and those results will not be available until sometime next week.
- At this time, Oregon is unable to support an opening of only a portion of their coast.
  - Without support for a line in Oregon, WDFW agreed to extend the delay and avoid the chaos that a small area opening would create.
- Washington, Oregon and California crab fishery managers will meet on Friday December 18 (or sooner) to make a decision on the opening south of Klipsan.

## 2015 Preseason Coastal Dungeness crab Test Fishery Results for WA, OR and CA

\* Date is the date the pots were pulled

Test Area	Optional Early Round		Round 1	
	Date	Meat Recovery %	Date	Meat Recovery %
<b>Washington</b>				
Northern	no test	no test	11/10/15	29.6%
Westport	10/26/15	24.0%	11/11/15	27.6%
Long Beach	10/22/15	23.8%	11/10/15	27.7%
<b>Oregon</b>				
Astoria	no test	no test	11/6/15	26.1
Garibaldi	no test	no test	11/6/15	26.3
Newport	no test	no test	11/6/15	27.7
Charleston	no test	no test	11/7/15	28.9
Floras Creek*	no test	no test	11/7/15	28.3
Port Orford*	no test	no test	11/7/15	28.7
Brookings	no test	no test	11/7/15	29.6
<b>California</b>				
Crescent City	no test	no test	no test	no test
Trinidad	no test	no test	no test	no test
Eureka	no test	no test	no test	no test
Ft. Bragg	no test	no test	no test	no test
<b>District 10 (not bound by Tri-State)</b>				
Bodega Bay	no test	no test	no test	no test
San Fransico	no test	no test	no test	no test

\*Only one test station in each area (18 pots)