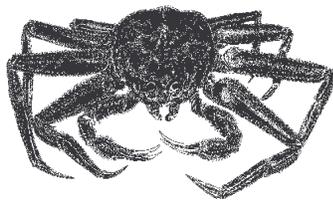


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**ADF&G ANNOUNCES REOPENING OF COMMERCIAL FISHING
IN SKAN AND MAKUSHIN BAYS**

The Alaska Department of Fish & Game (ADF&G) announces the reopening on Friday, October 7, 2005, of the Makushin/Skan Bay area of the eastern Aleutian Islands to all commercial fishing activities. Makushin/Skan Bay was previously closed in response to the *Selendang Ayu* oil spill and the threat of oil contamination to fishing gear and fishery harvests.

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) has removed the Threatened Water Body status designation for Makushin/Skan Bay effective September 30, 2005. The ADEC news release for the removal of the Threatened Water Body designation is found at the following link:

http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/response/sum_fy05/041207201/041207201_index.htm

The State of Alaska continues to maintain its "Zero Tolerance Policy" with respect to oil contamination of seafood and will conduct inspections as necessary to enforce that policy.

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