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## **Advisory Announcement**

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### **2020/21 Catcher Vessel Selection Lists for Observer Coverage for Bristol Bay Red King, Bering Sea Snow, and Eastern and Western Bering Sea Tanner Crab Fisheries**

This advisory announcement lists the catcher vessels randomly selected from preseason vessel registrations for observer coverage during the 2020/21 Bristol Bay red king, Bering Sea snow, and Eastern and Western Bering Sea Tanner crab fisheries. Total allowable catches (TAC) will be announced in subsequent news releases; this news release does not imply that a fishery will open during the 2020/21 season.

Selected catcher vessels will be required to carry a crab observer during 100 percent of fishing activities in a designated fishery. If a selected vessel does not participate, a vessel from the alternate list may carry an observer. If the alternate list is exhausted during a fishery or in the case of extenuating circumstances, all vessels that are actively fishing may be considered to achieve target observer coverage levels. Late registrants will be required to carry an observer.

Catcher vessel observer costs will be covered using a combination of ADF&G cost-recovery funds and federal funds. The state-contracted observer company, Saltwater Inc., will provide observers for catcher vessels. Processing vessels arrange and pay for their own observer coverage. Provisions are available for catcher-processor vessels to receive reimbursement from ADF&G for 20 percent of their observer costs for Bristol Bay red king crab, and 30 percent of observer costs for Bering Sea snow and Tanner crab.

Observers will be equipped with their own rain gear, boots, gloves, survival suit, personal locator beacon, personal flotation device, and personal items.

For vessels that carry observers, some of the regulatory requirements include:

- Display proof of compliance with United States Coast Guard vessel safety requirements;
- Provide food and accommodations equal to that of the vessel's crew;
- Provide daily fishing information and other information specified by ADF&G;
- Provide a safe work area to sample that is not regularly crowded with pots;
- Provide five totes to use at all times for sampling;
- Provide access to email or telephone for weekly catch reporting.

This list is not exhaustive. For a complete listing of requirements see 5 AAC 39.645 (i).

**The vessel operator or agent of a selected vessel is responsible for contacting Saltwater Inc. at (907) 539-2548 to coordinate observer coverage. Failure to provide a minimum of 10 days prior notice may delay fishing operations. All questions regarding COVID-19 mitigation plans for assigned observers should be directed to Saltwater Inc.**

If you have concerns regarding observer coverage requirements, observer performance, or COVID-19 related concerns that are not addressed in the Saltwater Inc. COVID-19 mitigation plans, please contact the Shellfish Observer Program Manager directly at (907) 486-1854.

The lists of catcher vessels and alternate vessels selected to carry crab observers are as follows by fishery:

**Bristol Bay Red King Crab**

<b>Selected Vessels</b>		<b>Alternates</b>	
<b><u>Vessel Name</u></b>	<b><u>ADF&amp;G #</u></b>	<b><u>Vessel Name</u></b>	<b><u>ADF&amp;G #</u></b>
Pacific Mariner	00007	Farwest Leader	35683
Farrar Sea	61954	Pacific Sounder	00991
Cascade Mariner	00064	Island Mist	61791
Titan Explorer	40920	Guardian	61571
Ramblin Rose	59686	Kevleen K	00960
Adventure	00965	Karin Lynn	00524
Rollo	00030	Melanie	20363
Pinnacle	71174	Brenna A	38923
Keta	07189	Pacific Sun	35977
Kustatan	60210	Barbara J	44971
Tempo Sea	40817		
Alaska Spirit	35949		
Arctic Lady	37210		
Lady Alaska	61351		
Controller Bay	72847		

**Bering Sea Snow Crab**

<b>Selected Vessels</b>		<b>Alternates</b>	
<b><u>Vessel Name</u></b>	<b><u>ADF&amp;G #</u></b>	<b><u>Vessel Name</u></b>	<b><u>ADF&amp;G #</u></b>
Time Bandit	65577	Polar Sea	00303
Guardian	61571	Nuka Island	35640
Kustatan	60210	Kevleen K	00960
Cornelia Marie	59109	Pacific Mariner	00007
Farwest Leader	35683	Sea Star	00997
Nordic Mariner	00222	Pacific Sounder	00991
Southern Wind	40921	Sandra Five	70770
Aleutian No. 1	05992	Pinnacle	71174
Arctic Lady	37210	Pacific Sun	35977
Farrar Sea	61954	Bering Star	04147
Western Mariner	00963		
Atlantico	00037		
Aleutian Lady	56126		
Alaska Spirit	35949		
Viekoda Bay	57971		
Elinore J	35306		
Summer Bay	41715		
Aleutian Mariner	35844		
Silver Dolphin	00121		
Aleutian Sable	72318		

## Western Bering Sea Tanner Crab

Due to the high number of vessels that preseason registered for this fishery in prior seasons, **all vessels** that preseason registered for Western Bering Sea Tanner crab are listed and should be prepared to carry an observer.

<b>Selected Vessels</b>		<b>Alternates</b>	
<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&amp;G #</u>	<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&amp;G #</u>
Adventure	00965	Marahute	63333
Alaska Challenger	04100	Melanie	20363
Alaska Spirit	35949	Mystery Bay	62920
Aleutian Lady	56126	New Venture	00004
Aleutian Mariner	35844	Nordic Mariner	00222
American Lady	00067	North Sea	36047
Arctic Lady	37210	Northwestern	29962
Arctic Mariner	31792	Nuka Island	35640
Arctic Sea	33696	Ocean Fury	00097
Atlantico	00037	Pacific Mariner	00007
Ballyhoo	03645	Pacific Sounder	00991
Barbara J	44971	Pacific Sun	35977
Bering Star	04147	Paragon	20734
Billikin	20745	Pinnacle	71174
Brenna A	38923	Polar Sea	00303
Bristol Mariner	08411	Provider	00058
Cascade Mariner	00064	Ramblin Rose	59686
Constellation	35629	Rollo	00030
Cornelia Marie	59109	Saga	11022
Elinore J	35306	Sandra Five	70770
Farrar Sea	61954	Seabrooke	36800
Farwest Leader	35683	Sea Star	00997
Guardian	61571	Silver Dolphin	00121
Island Mist	61791	Silver Spray	60860
Kari Marie	50501	Southern Wind	40921
Karin Lynn	00524	Summer Bay	41715
Keta	07189	Tempo Sea	40817
Kevleen K	00960	Titan Explorer	40920
Kiska Sea	61154	Trailblazer	33704
Kodiak	03525	Valiant	00996
Kona Kai	51347	Victory	77084
Kustatan	60210	Viekoda Bay	57971
Lady Alaska	61351	Western Mariner	00963
Lady Joanne	62922	Wizard	35265

## Eastern Bering Sea Tanner Crab

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<b>Selected Vessels</b>		<b>Alternates</b>	
<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&amp;G #</u>	<u>Vessel Name</u>	<u>ADF&amp;G #</u>
Adventure	00965	Lady Joanne	62922
Alaska Challenger	04100	Marahute	63333
Alaska Spirit	35949	Mystery Bay	62920
Aleutian Lady	56126	New Venture	00004
Aleutian Mariner	35844	Nordic Mariner	00222
American Lady	00067	North Sea	36047
Arctic Lady	37210	Nuka Island	35640
Arctic Mariner	31792	Ocean Fury	00097
Arctic Sea	33696	Pacific Mariner	00007
Atlantico	00037	Pacific Sounder	00991
Ballyhoo	03645	Pacific Sun	35977
Barbara J	44971	Paragon	20734
Bering Star	04147	Pinnacle	71174
Billikin	20745	Polar Sea	00303
Brenna A	38923	Provider	00058
Bristol Mariner	08411	Ramblin Rose	59686
Cascade Mariner	00064	Rollo	00030
Constellation	35629	Saga	11022
Cornelia Marie	59109	Sandra Five	70770
Elinore J	35306	Seabrooke	36800
Farrar Sea	61954	Sea Star	00997
Farwest Leader	35683	Silver Dolphin	00121
Guardian	61571	Silver Spray	60860
Island Mist	61791	Southern Wind	40921
Kari Marie	50501	Summer Bay	41715
Karin Lynn	00524	Tempo Sea	40817
Keta	07189	Titan Explorer	40920
Kevleen K	00960	Trailblazer	33704
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