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## **Moratorium on Shore Fishery Lease Applications**

The Southcentral Regional Land office (SCRO) is issuing a moratorium on 2022 shore fishery lease applications in the area of Clarks Point, Clark Slough, and Combine Flats on the east side of Nushagak Bay, in Bristol Bay. The area affected by this moratorium is further described as being the east coast of Nushagak Bay north of ADL 224841 and south of ADL 221787, within Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, 26, 35, and 36, Township 15 South, Range 56 West, and Sections 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, and 32, Township 15 South, Range 55 West, Seward Meridian.

The purpose of this moratorium is to temporarily suspend processing of new applications in order to determine if there is adequate spacing to consider the issuance of new Shore Fishery leases in this defined area. This moratorium will allow SCRO to work with existing shore fishery leaseholders to accurately determine lease locations. Some existing lease leaseholders will need to obtain new lease diagrams.

The moratorium will in no way prohibit legal fishing activities by lessees or unleased fishers.

Any applications received for the described area during this moratorium will be placed on hold until existing lease locations are resolved. Existing applications and upcoming lease extension applications in the described area, that were received during previous applications periods will continue to be processed.

This announcement will be posted on the Alaska Public Notice System website for 30 calendar days and will also be posted on the Shore Fishery Leasing Program website. For more information, please refer to the attached maps or contact Andrew Miller at (907) 269-8116, or via email at andrew.miller@alaska.gov or Kevin Kelly at (907) 269-8545, or via email at kevin.kelly2@alaska.gov.

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