

Notice to Fish Harvesters

July 20, 2017

SNOW CRAB – CRAB FISHING AREA 12 (12, 18, 25, 26) FISHING SEASON CLOSURE

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) wishes to inform snow crab fish harvesters fishing in Crab Fishing Areas 12 (12, 18, 25, 26) that the fishing season will be closed on July 25, 2017 at 00:01 Atlantic Daylight Time (ADT). All gear must be removed from the water by 23:59 ADT on July 24, 2017.

DFO is closing the snow crab fishery earlier due to more recent incidents with North Atlantic Right Whales (NARW) in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Licence holders are asked to report all observations of dead or injured marine mammals by calling a 1-866-567-6277 and to refrain from attempting to untangle any whales.

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