Notice to Fish Harvesters

October 16, 2017

2017 FALL ROCK CRAB FISHERY OPENING IN LOBSTER FISHING AREA 25 – SAFETY AT SEA

Moncton, NB – The Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO), Gulf Region, wishes to advise the industry that the fall fishery for Rock Crab in Lobster Fishing Area (LFA) 25 will open Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 7:00 am. DFO also wishes to remind fish harvesters in LFA 25 to take extra care when navigating within the Northumberland Strait the first day of fishing as vessels are loaded with gear and traps and harvesters are encouraged to act cautiously in setting their traps. Harvesters should ensure that vessels are loaded safely by reducing the quantity of gear or delay setting their traps, should they feel their safety is at risk.

All other management measures remain as per previously announced, and the fishing season will close November 24, 2017.

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