

NOAA FISHERIES SERVICE

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NOAA PUBLIC MEETINGS

Alaska Marine Mammal Observer Program

NOAA Fisheries invites

Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Permit Holders

and

Interested Members of the Public

to an informational meeting on the

Alaska Marine Mammal Observer Program

> Thursday, May 24, 2012 6-8 p.m. Wrangell Fire Hall

- NOAA Fisheries Alaska Marine Mammal Observer Program will begin
 monitoring the level and nature of interactions between the Southeast Alaska drift
 gillnet fishery and marine mammals in 2012.
- Monitoring will occur in Alaska Department of Fish and Game Southeast Alaska commercial fishery management areas 6 and 8 in 2012 and 2013
- The public meeting will provide permit holders with an opportunity to hear about program goals and data collection procedures and requirements.

For those unable to attend, a toll-free conference line has been set up:

877-216-1555
Participant code: 1003197 (followed by the # sign)

NOAA Fisheries **Alaska Marine Mammal Observer Program** coordinators would like to work closely and cooperatively with permit holders in an open dialogue throughout this study to ensure success for the benefit of fishers and the resources we share.