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Existing regulations adopted by the Fish and Game Commission (Commission) provide authority to the Department of Fish and Game (Department) to close the commercial market squid fishery when the seasonal catch limit is projected to be reached.

- **This notification is to inform you effective 12:01 p.m. (noon), Friday December 17, 2010, the commercial fishery for market squid, *Loligo (Doryteuthis) opalescens* will be closed until April 1, 2011**, pursuant to Section 149(e)(1), Title 14, California Code of Regulations.
- Based on projections from recent reported landings, the commercial seasonal catch limit of 118,000 short tons will be taken by the closure date. The prohibition on the commercial possession and landings greater than 2 tons will be in effect throughout the State of California.
- Market squid may be taken for commercial purposes through March 31, 2011 **ONLY** if the amount taken does not exceed 2 tons landed in a calendar day, or if the squid taken is used for live bait only (Section 149(e)(2), Title 14, California Code of Regulations).
- If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Dale Sweetnam of the Department's Marine Region at (858) 546-7170.



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