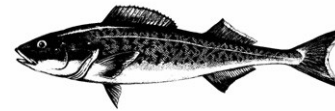

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA IFQ SABLEFISH FISHERY
FISHING PROHIBITED IN STATE WATERS

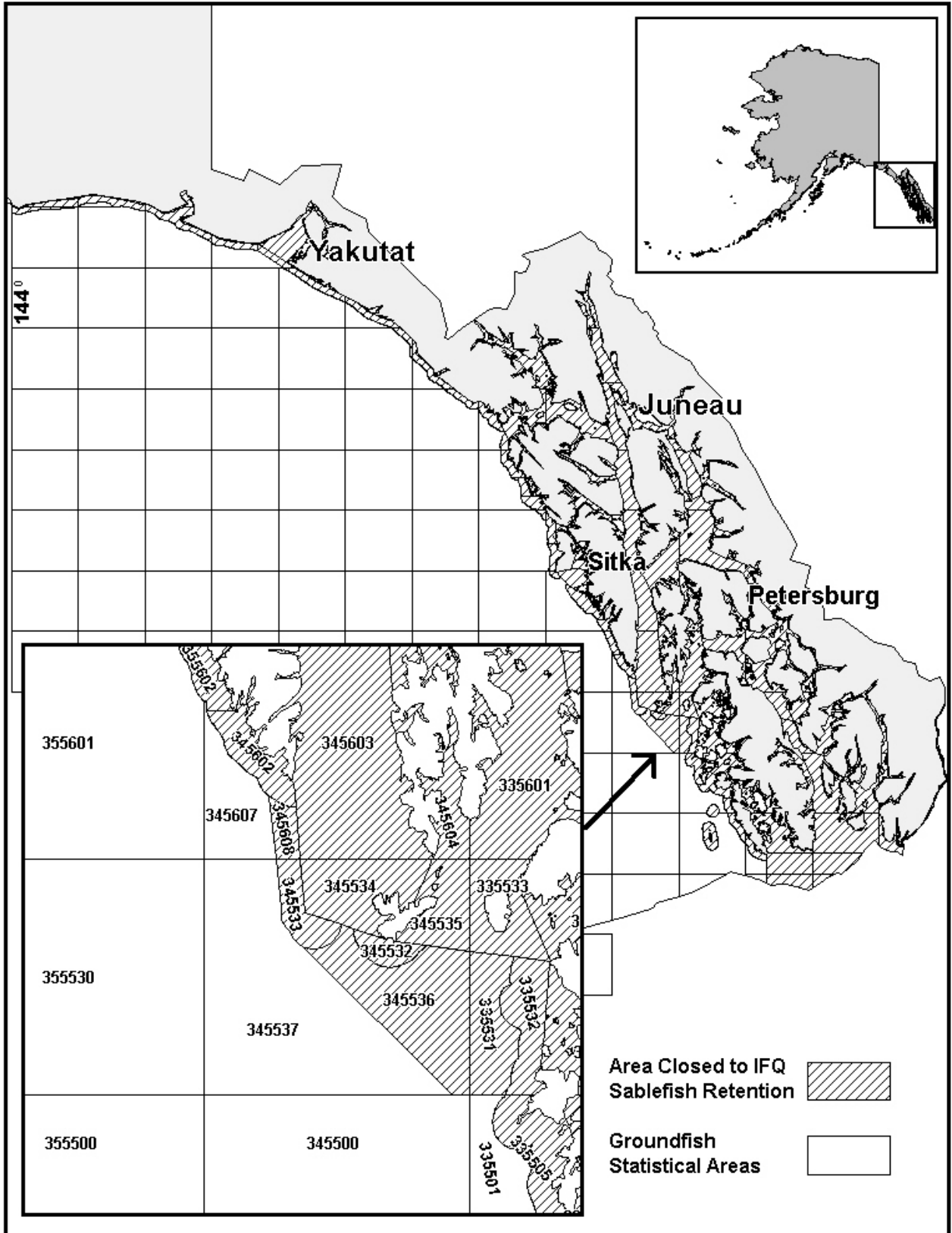
Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game reminds participants in the IFQ sablefish fishery that IFQ harvest of sablefish is prohibited in all state waters of the Southeast District including state waters (0-3 miles) along the outer coast. This includes waters off Cape Ommaney, Cape Decision, and Coronation Island. The areas closed to the harvest of IFQ sablefish are outlined in the attached map on page 2.

For additional information on federal IFQ fisheries for sablefish and halibut contact National Marine Fisheries Service at 747-6940 (Sitka), 586-7225 (Juneau), 772-2285 (Petersburg), or 247-5804 (Ketchikan).

Additional information on Southeast Regional Groundfish Fisheries can be found on our web site at: <http://www.cf.adfg.state.ak.us/region1/finfish/grndfish/grndhom1.php>

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