



EUROPEAN *Green Crab (EGC)*

LOOK OUT FOR EGC!

Why are EGC a problem?

As stated in the emergency proclamation 20-02: If European green crab “become permanently established in the coastal waters of Washington State, it is likely that European green crabs will become predators to shellfish and juvenile Dungeness crab, destroy critical habitat such as eelgrass beds and estuarine marshes, disrupt natural food webs, harm overall crab populations, hinder salmon and Southern Resident killer whale recovery efforts, reduce shorebird food supplies, and ultimately affect the overall health and resiliency of the Salish Sea” and coastal estuaries.

EGC Identification

Look for the five spines, for more information visit:



Report EGC if you see them

It is illegal to retain a EGC, but reporting is encouraged. Please take a picture and report any sightings here:



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