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To: Erin Reinders, City Manager, JR Pierson, Asst. Manager, Mayor Tutikoff, & Unalaska City Council Members

Subject: Harvest Updates on Federal Water Groundfish Harvests 5-23-2020 and State Water Crab, State Water Crab and IFQ Halibut/Sablefish Harvests 6-1-2020

Federal Water Groundfish Harvest catch as of 5-23-20 and State Water Crab, State Water Cod Harvest catch as of 6-1-20

Overall Groundfish Harvest: The A season catch as of 5-23-2020 stands at 904,874MT (2.0billion pounds) leaving 1,083,027MT (2.4 billion pounds) 46% of the overall annual harvest of 1,978,901MT has been harvested.

Pollock Harvest: the allocation is set at 1.4MMT (3.1billion pounds) with a 40% harvest for the A season 620,000MT and 60% harvest 840,000MT for the B season. The week ending on May 23 ,2020 the fleet had no harvest. For the season 616,554MT (1.377 billion pounds) was harvested 99.1% of the A season allocation of 620,000MT has been harvested leaving 8,698MT still to harvest with the majority of that 7,202MT is in the shoreside catcher vessel sector. The base price per pound on Pollock is \$0.125 putting the ex-vessel value for the A season at \$173 million dollars. I believe the season is just about wrapped up with some small amount on CV trawl allocation rolling over to the B season allocation.

Inshore CV: this sector had no harvested last week, for the season 272,929MT from an A season allocation of 280,637MT, leaving 7,202MT to harvest 97% of the allocation has been taken we expect some limited amount fishing from some vessels in the catcher vessel sector. It does appear that amount of the CV trawl A season allocation will rollover to their B season allocation.

At Sea Processors: no harvest last week, for the season 223,278MT harvested from their A season allocation of 222,309MT. 100% of their A season allocation has been harvested, leaving 831MT to harvest which will rollover to their B season allocation.

Mothership Sector: no harvest last week for the season 55,475MT from their A season allocation of 55,777MT. 99% of the A season allocation has been harvested leaving 552MT to harvest which will rollover to the Pollock B season.

CDQ Sector: no harvest last week for the season 64,867MT from an A season allocation of 64,980MT. 100% of the A season allocation has been harvested leaving 113MT to harvest which will rollover to the Pollock B season.

Pollock Incidental Catch: last week harvest was 342MT for the season 29,666MT leaving 17,787MT to harvest 63% of annual allocation has been harvested.

Salmon bycatch: Chinook bycatch stands at 18,216fish 30% allocation taken compared to 15,738 fish in 2019. Non-Chinook 531fish taken as bycatch compared to 1,211 fish in 2019

Pacific Cod: federal water fishery landings of Pacific Cod continues to be slow which is normal for this time of year. last week only 212MT for the season the harvest total for the A season is 83,698MT for all harvesting sectors (in pounds 186.7 million lbs.) the remaining Pacific Cod allocation is 55,249MT (in pounds123 million pounds). The breakdown by harvesting sectors are listed below.

CV Pot/HL < 60ft harvested 7MT last week for the season 3,761MT leaving --328MT over their allocation of 3,433MT. This sector will receive rollover from other cod sectors later in the year to take care of the deficit.

C/P Pot 5 CPs harvested 0MT last week for the season 1,058MT. This fishery closed on 1-12-2020. The unharvested amount of 108MT will be rolled over to the B season allocation.

CV Pot 60'> harvested 0 MT last week for the season 5,272MT by 38 vessels of their A season allocation of 5,900MT and closed on 1-15-2020. The amount unharvested 652MT will rollover to the B season allocation which opens on September 1st.

Hook and Line C/Ps harvested 0MT last week for the season 33,302MT from the A season allocation of 34,346MT leaving 1,035MTwith 97% of their A season allocation having been harvested. On June 10^{th,} the B season allocation of 33,000MT opens.

Pacific Cod CDQ: had a harvest of 31MT last week for the season 9,050MT from an allocation of 15,299MT leaving 7,660MT 58% of the CDQ harvest has been taken.

Pacific Cod Trawl: this fishery opened of January 20^{th.} The harvest for last week

was 205MT for the season was stands at 43,287MT from all three harvesting sectors, leaving 12,344MT of A /B season trawl cod to harvest. 98% of the allocation has been harvested. The CV trawl B season April 1st. with and allocation of 8,832MT 5,018MT of B/C season Cod has been harvested leaving 12,152MT to harvest of A/B/C season cod allocation.

Pacific Cod Jig: 0MT harvested last week for the season 5MT harvested from the jig allocation of 1,278MT leaving 1,273MT 1% of the allocation has been harvested.

Amendment 80 Fisheries: opened on January 20^{th.} the Amendment 80 sector for the season has harvested 121,000MT of various sole species the majority being Yellowfin 75,473MT, Rock Sole, 18,358MT Alaska Plaice, 16,693MT, Flathead Sole 3,442MT other species harvested season totals include Perch, 2,734MT Atka Mackerel 24,525MT Octopus,627MT Skate 9,183MT and Greenland Turbot, 223MT.

Halibut/ Sablefish IFQ Fisheries: 6-1-2020

Halibut: the allocation is set at 16.079 million pounds for the season 670 landings have been made for 3.6 million pounds leaving12.8million lbs. to harvest 22.5% of the allocation has been harvested. Fishing picked up last week with 610,000 lbs. landed. Ex-vessel price's is still and issue with the fleet, hopefully with restaurants nationwide starting to open once again, the fresh Halibut market will come back into play to help pricing levels. There have been landings in Unalaska and CDQ landings, but the data is confidential until more buyers purchase fish. Halibut prices are in a slump a running in the \$3.00-\$4.25 per pound depending on the size and port of landing. Homer is the leading port on Halibut landings at 494,000lbs followed by Sitka at 410, 000lbs.and Kodiak at 408,000lbs.

Sablefish: the allocation is set at 31.7 million lbs. for the season 623 landings for 8.6 million lbs. leaving 23.1 million lbs. 27% of the allocation has been harvested. The past weeks fishing was good with 800,000lbs were landed. Prices for Sablefish ex-vessel price splits are estimated at \$2.30 per pound for fish running in the 2- to 3-pound category, \$3.15 per pound for 3- to 4-pound fish, \$4.00 per pound for 4- to 5-pounders, \$5 per pound for 5- to 7s and \$7.50 per pound for 7-ups. The fleet is harvesting a tremendous amount of small fish keeping gross revenue per trip low. There have been some landings in Unalaska, but data is still confidential until more buyers purchase fish. Sitka is the leading port on Sablefish at 1.8 million pounds followed by Kodiak at 783,000lbs.

State Water Fisheries 6-1-2020

Dutch Harbor & Aleutian Islands Sub District Jig Cod 60ft < vessels:

The State Water Dutch Harbor area Pacific Cod fishery for 58'< for jig vessels opens on May 1st for about million pounds 5 jig machines allowed per vessel. There have been a few small landings so far, there is 1 jig vessels registered to fish the harvest amount is still confidential at this time.

State Water Black Cod: there has been a small amount of activity recently by two vessels there have been 19 landings for 234,000lbs have been landed in Unalaska from a guideline harvest of 429,000 lbs. leaving 195,000lbs. left to harvest

Bering Sea Snow Crab (Opilio) this fishery closed on May 31, 2020, the past week there were no landings. The season total was 34.02million pounds including the CDQ harvest from an allocation of 34 million pounds. 100% of the harvest is complete. The harvesters went -5,528 pounds over their allocation.

Bering Sea Tanner Crab Fishery is closed.

Aleutian Island Golden King Crab Fishery: this fishery is now closed. The breakdown by districts is as follows.

Eastern District is done with 60 landings for 4.2-million-pound harvest leaving 1,407lbs is unharvested 100% of the harvest is complete.

Western District no landings last week, the total shows 50 landings for 2.58 million pounds from allocation of 2.58 million pounds leaving 30,856lbs unharvested. 99% of the harvest was completed.

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