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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 6-13-2020 and State Water Crab, and IFQ Halibut/Sablefish Harvests 6-22-2020

Federal Water Groundfish Harvest catch as of 6-13-20 and State Water Crab, State Water Cod Harvest catch as of 6-22-20

**Overall Groundfish Harvest:** The A season catch as of 6-13-2020 last week's harvest was 19,306MT (43million pounds) 12,000MT from the previous week; for the season 941,229MT (2.1billion pounds) harvested leaving 1,046,672MT (2.33 billion pounds) 48% of the overall annual harvest of 1,987,901MT 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 which opened on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The first week of B season is in at 12,046MT for the first 3 days of the season, some of the that amount was A season Pollock. I believe that the B season may start off to a slow start especially in the At Sea sector with the problem America Seafoods has with at least 2-3 of their vessels I would think many of the CP's are totally disinfecting there vessels and getting guarantine crewmembers well before sailing north. The same may be true of the CV vessels getting ready to sail from Seattle for the Pollock grounds. The week ending on June 13, ,2020 the fleet had a harvest of 12.046MT by the CV and At Sea sectors. For the season 628.867MT (1.404 billion pounds) was harvested 47 % seasonal harvested has been harvested leaving 760,581MT to harvest. 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 harvested 11,692MT last week, for the season 284,888MT from an A season allocation of 280,637MT, leaving 4,424MT to harvest 98% of the A season allocation this amount of the CV trawl A season allocation of 4,424MTMT will rollover to their B season allocation. The B season opened on June 10<sup>th</sup> the CV sector harvested 9,177MT of B season Pollock leaving 337,637MT of B season allocation to harvest 3% of the B season allocation has harvested.

At Sea Processors: harvest 354MT last week, from there B season allocation, for the season 273,556MT harvested from their A/B season allocation leaving 274,381MT of their B season allocation to harvest 1% of the B season allocation has be harvested.

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 where they have an allocation of 68,478MT.

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 where they have an allocation of 79,420MT

Pollock Incidental Catch: last week harvest was 279MT for the season 30,360MT leaving 17,093MT to harvest 64% of annual allocation has been harvested.

Salmon bycatch: Chinook bycatch stands at 18,440fish 31% allocation taken compared to 16,082 fish in 2019. Non-Chinook 867fish taken as bycatch compared to 29,085 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 577MT for the season the harvest total for the A season is 85,022MT for all harvesting sectors (in pounds 189.9 million lbs.) the remaining Pacific Cod allocation is 53,925MT (in pounds125.4 million pounds). The breakdown by harvesting sectors are listed below.

CV Pot/HL < 60ft: harvested 0MT 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 1<sup>st</sup>.

Hook and Line C/Ps: harvested 345MT last week for the season 34,117MT from the A season allocation of 34,346MT leaving 429MTwith 99% of their A season allocation having been harvested. On June 10<sup>th,</sup> the B season allocation of

33,800MT opened with a harvest of 200MT leaving 32,800MT to harvest.

Pacific Cod CDQ: had a harvest of 24MT last week for the season 9,090MT from an allocation of 15,299MT leaving 7,543MT 60% of the CDQ harvest has been taken.

Pacific Cod Trawl: this fishery opened of January 20<sup>th.</sup> The harvest for last week was 223MT for the season was stands at 43,898MT from all three harvesting sectors, leaving 11,510MT of A /B season trawl cod to harvest. 98% of the allocation has been harvested. The CV trawl B season April 1<sup>st</sup>. with and allocation of 8,832MT 5,000MT of B/C season Cod has been harvested leaving 11,510MT of allocation to harvest of A/B/C season cod allocation.

Pacific Cod Jig: 0MT harvested last week for the season 10MT harvested from the jig allocation of 1,278MT leaving 1,268MT 1% of the allocation has been harvested.

**Amendment 80 Fisheries:** opened on January 20<sup>th.</sup> the Amendment 80 sector for the season has harvested 171,000MT of various sole species the majority being Yellowfin 86,849MT, Rock Sole, 18,887MT Alaska Plaice, 16,925MT, Flathead Sole 3,799MT, Arrowtooth Flounder 4,823MT other Flat Fish 3,218MT other species harvested this season include Perch, 5,395MT Atka Mackerel 26,073MT Octopus,628MT Skate 9,617MT and Greenland Turbot, 872MT.

## Halibut/ Sablefish IFQ Fisheries: 6-22-2020

Halibut: the allocation is set at 16.079 million pounds for the season 975landings have been made for 5.3 million pounds leaving 10.7million lbs. to harvest 33% of the allocation has been harvested. Fishing continues to be good last the fleet harvested 600,000 lbs. 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 still 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 844,000lbs, Sitka at 571,000lbs. and Kodiak at 528,000lbs.

**Sablefish**: the allocation is set at 31.7 million lbs. for the season 763 landings for 10.1 million lbs. leaving 20.1 million lbs. 32% of the allocation has been harvested. The past weeks fishing was slow with 200,000lbs 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 2.02 million pounds Kodiak at 919,000lbs. and Cordova at 368,000lbs

## State Water Fisheries 6-22-2020

## **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 1<sup>st</sup> 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:** last week saw no landings made last week. There are two vessels fishing they have made 22 landings for 251,000lbs have been landed in Unalaska from a guideline harvest of 429,000 lbs. leaving 178,000lbs. 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.

**Aleutian Island Golden King Crab Fishery:** this fishery is now closed. This fishery will reopen on July 15<sup>th</sup> for vessels doing Golden King Crab survey work, if no survey work is ongoing, the directed fishery will open on August 1, 2020. The total allowable catch allocation was set by the State of Alaska last week at 6.6 million pounds the allocation by district is as follows the eastern district was 3.65 million pounds and western district at 2.95 million pounds.

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