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Subject: Harvest Updates on Federal Water Groundfish Harvests and State Water Crab, and IFQ Halibut/Sablefish Harvests

Federal Water Groundfish Harvest catch as of 8-29-20, State Water Crab, IFQ Halibut, Sablefish, State Water Black Cod, and Herring Harvest of 9-7-2020

Overall Groundfish Harvest: The B season catch as of 8-29-2020 last week's harvest was 47,187MT (105million pounds) a 9,500MT decrease in harvest from the previous week with the majority of the harvest 36,000MT being Pollock; for the season 1,479,039MMT (3.30billion pounds) harvested leaving 515,010MT (1.15billion pounds) 74% of the overall annual harvest of 1.99MMT has been taken.

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 10th, 2020. Last week we saw the weekly harvest decrease from 45,867MT the previous week to 36,364MT a drop of 9,500MT. The season total for this B season stands at 442,911MT compared to 560,215MT in 2019 during the same time frame which is a full 2.5 weeks behind the 2019 harvest level. Fishing continues to be spotty especially for the CV sector with a lot of small fish. The At Sea Processors have petitioned the Secretary Commerce to not close the winter Herring Saving Area that would allow their sector to continue to fish Pollock in the at area which closes on September 1st, 2020 nothing has been announced as of yet, and they have had to leave that area. We could hear something this week.

Through August 29th we still had 328,832MT of B season Pollock still to harvest by the 4 harvesting sectors. The harvesters are going to have to average close to 40,000MT per week during the next 8 weeks to harvest their allocation. The Pollock sector may have a tough time harvesting the total B season allocation by the November 1st which is closure date by regulation. It will be especially hard for the shoreside catcher vessels that are only at 57% of their B season allocation. The Pollock A/B season total harvest stands at 1,061,128MMT (2.37billion pounds) and 75% seasonal harvested leaving 328,832MT (733 million pounds) of Pollock B season to harvest. The four harvesting sector harvest reports are listed below.

Inshore CV: this sector harvested 12,257MT last week, for the season 470,292MT the B season harvest stands at 194,580MT harvested leaving 152,233MT to harvest 57% of the B season has been harvested.

At Sea Processors: harvest 13,837MT last week, from their B season harvest; for the season 401,611MT of their annual harvest has been taken. The B season harvest is 178,328MT 65% of the B season allocation has been harvested leaving a B season amount of 96,408MT to harvest.

Mothership Sector: harvest last week was 4,842MT from their annual allocation is at 91,864MT the B season total is at 36,389MT leaving 32,641MT of B season allocation to harvest 46% of the B season allocation has been harvested.

CDQ Sector: harvest last week was 5,428MT for the season 98,481MT has been harvested. The B season allocation 33,614MT harvested leaving 45,919MT to harvest 42% of the B season allocation has been harvested.

Pollock Incidental Catch: last week harvest was 1,188MT for the season 34,797MT leaving 12,656MT to harvest 73% of annual allocation has been harvested.

Salmon bycatch: Chinook bycatch stands at 19,832fish 35% allocation compared to 19,346 fish in 2019. Non-Chinook salmon data no updated information available for last week.

Pacific Cod: federal water fishery landings of Pacific Cod continue to be slow which is normal for this time of year, most of the harvest each is bycatch in the Eastern Bering Sea Pollock fishery except for the freezer longline CP sector, Amendment 80 and CDQ sectors. The harvest last week ending on August 29,2020 was 1,973MT including the CDQ harvest. The season harvest total for the A/B season is 101,180MT for all harvesting sectors (in pounds (227 million lbs.)). The remaining Pacific Cod allocation is 46,944MT including CDQ (in pounds 104.8million pounds) to harvest. The breakdown by harvesting sectors are listed below. On September 1st, the Pot Cod sectors reopened for the 60' < 60' > and Pot CP vessel sectors we should have catch data next week.

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. The season reopened on September 1st.

C/P Pot 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, which opens on September 1, 2020. The season reopened on September 1st.

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 reopened on September 1,2020.

Hook and Line C/Ps: harvested 1,288MT last week for the season 43,287MT from the A/B season allocation of 67,346MT 64% of the seasonal allocation. The B season harvest is at 9,369MT leaving 24,059MT to harvest 28% of the B season allocation has been harvested.

Pacific Cod CDQ: had a harvest of 110MT last week for the season 11,959MT from an allocation of 14,945MT leaving 4,572MT 77% of the CDQ harvest has been taken.

Pacific Cod Trawl: this fishery opened on January 20th. The harvest for last week was 574MT for the season and stands at 48,672MT (108 million pounds) from all three harvesting sectors, leaving 7,396MT (16 million pounds) of A/B/C season trawl cod to harvest. I believe some of this allocation will roll over to the 60' < fixed gear sector later this fall.

Pacific Cod Jig: 0MT harvested last week, for the season 10MT harvested from the jig allocation of 178MT leaving 168MT 6% of the allocation has been harvested. The jig allocation had 1,300 rollovers to the 60' < fixed sector last.

Amendment 80 Fisheries: opened on January 20th. the Amendment 80 sector for the week ending on 8-29-2020 the total harvest stands at 252,912MT of various species, a harvest of 8,000MT occurred last week. The Amendment 80 fleet focus has started to move back over to the Eastern Bering Sea working the Sole fisheries. The seasonal totals by species is as follows, Yellowfin Sole 93,718MT, Rock Sole, 21,479MT Alaska Plaice, 17,522MT, Flathead Sole 6,526MT, Arrowtooth Flounder 8,122MT ,Kamchatka Flounder 7,093MT other Flatfish 3,767MT other species harvested this season including Perch, 28,397MT Atka Mackerel 47,367MT Octopus,643MT Skate 13,639MT Greenland Turbot, 2,198MTand Sablefish Trawl 2,441MT

Halibut/ Sablefish IFQ Fisheries: 9-7-2020

Halibut: the allocation is set at 16.079 million pounds for the season 2,160 landings have been made for 10.53million pounds leaving 5.54 million lbs. to harvest 66% of the seasonal allocation has been harvested. Fishing continued to be good last week: the fleet harvested 600,000 lbs. There have been landings in Unalaska, but the data is still confidential until more buyers purchase fish, traditionally we have landing in the 1.3 million-pound range for Unalaska. The CDQ harvest we do have some landing posted by NMFS this week in CDQ sector Area 4D which is NW of the Pribilof Islands 86 landings for 379,266lbs. leaving -149,466lbs still to harvest in 4-D 165% of the harvest has been taken in that area; the other CDQ harvest areas are still confidential. The total CDQ harvest still to be harvested is at 1.03 million pounds. Halibut prices are in a slump, 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 1.97 million pounds, Seward,1.02million pounds, and Kodiak 973,751lbs.

Sablefish: the allocation is set at 31.7 million lbs. for the season 1,155 landings for 13.9 million lbs. leaving 17.7 million lbs. 44% of the allocation has been harvested. The past weeks fishing slowed with a harvest of 300,000lbs. 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 still has problems with a large amount of small fish keeping gross revenue per trip low. There have been landings made in Unalaska, at 1.77 million pounds. Seward is the leading port on Sablefish landings at 2.73 million pounds, Sitka at 2.39 million pounds and Unalaska at 1.77 million pounds.

State Water Fisheries 8-31-2020

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 are 2 jig vessels registered to fish. The harvest amount is still confidential currently.

State Water Sablefish (Black Cod): last week there was 1 landing made. There are two vessels registered for the fishery they have made 32 landings ADFG revised the harvest totals from last week the new numbers are as follows 306,579lbs landed in Unalaska from a guideline harvest of 429,000 lbs. leaving 123,221lbs. left to harvest 71% of the harvest is complete.

Aleutian Island Golden King Crab Fishery: this fishery opened on Saturday August 1st the allocation is set at 6.6 million pounds. the allocation by district is as follows the Eastern district was 3.65 million pounds and Western district at 2.96 million pounds. There have been 4 landings in Unalaska from the Eastern District; 3 from The Western District the catch information is still confidential currently until more processors purchase crab. There are 5 vessels registered 2 in the Eastern and 3 Western districts. With the closure of the Adak shore plant the 2.9 million pounds allocation in the Western District will be landed in Unalaska and Akutan.

Dutch Harbor Food and Bait Herring Fishery: the fishery remains open but no participation by any harvesters last week. The allocation for the Herring Food and Bait fishery was 2,900 tons. in pounds (5.8 million pounds) The fishery opened on July 15th 2 seiners were registered to fish. The fishery is managed out of Sand Point, Alaska ADFG office, they reported to me last week that there has been little interest in the fishery, only 447 short tons were harvested (900,000lbs.) Westward Seafoods was the only processor that purchased fish, this is one of the smallest Herring harvests in many years.

Regards

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