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Subject: Fishery Update for 3-28-2022

Federal Water Groundfish Harvest catch as of 3-19-22 BSAI Crab, Halibut/Sablefish IFQ and State Water Pot Cod 3-28-22.

Fishing Seasons Information:

Pollock A season: The Pollock A season open on January 20th for the week ending on March 19th we had a harvest of 24,400MT (53 million pounds) putting the A season harvest at 428,139MT (943 million pounds) leaving 49,537MT (109 million pounds) to harvest, 89% of the A season allocation has been harvested. The season should be wrapped up in the next 5-10 days. The shoreside sector has 41,463MT still to harvest and the Mothership sector at 7,269MT the At Sea and CDQ have harvested 100% of their pollock allocations.

Pacific Cod: Pacific Cod has slowed down with the closer of three of the pot cod vessels fisheries have been completed. Last week's harvest was 2,598MT through March 19, 2022, A season total is 60,232MT (132 million pounds) from the total allocation of 122,000MT. leaving 67,447MT to harvest (in pounds 148 million) 49% of the Pacific Cod allocation has been harvested. The trawl sector has 22,000MT of A, B, C season still to harvest the CP freezer longline sector 47,000MT still to harvest.

State Water Pot Cod <60' Under: the sixty' foot under pot vessels through March 28, 2022, fishing has been improving, the fishery is at 355 landings from twenty-nine vessels for 23.06million pounds leaving 14.1 million pounds still to harvest 62% of the harvest has been completed.

Overall Groundfish Harvest: The A season catch as of 3-19-2022 was 36,833MT (81.1 million pounds) a 19,500MT decrease over the previous weeks harvest, with much of the harvest 24,400MT was Pollock. The season totals are 577,105MT harvested (one billion two hundred seventy-one million pounds) leaving 1,276,125MMT (2.81 billion pounds) to harvest 31% of the overall annual harvest of 1,744,000MMT (3.8 billion pounds) has been taken.

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Inshore CV: this sector harvested 13,846MT last week, the seasonal harvest is 475,200MT the A season allocation 213,840MT 170,377MT has been harvested leaving 41,463MT of A season to harvest, with 81% of the A allocation having been harvested, and 36% of the seasonal harvest.

At Sea Processors: At Sea sector harvested 6,822MT last week, the seasonal harvest is 380,160MT the A season allocation is 171,072 the A season harvest stands at 170,418MT leaving 654MT of the A season allocation to harvest, 100% of the A season allocation has been taken and 48% of the seasonal allocation.

Mothership Sector: harvested last week was 3,732MT the seasonal harvest is at 95,040MT the A season harvest allocation is 42,768MT the A season harvest is at 35,499MT leaving 7,269MT of A season allocation to harvest 83% of the A season allocation has been harvested, and 37% of the annual allocation has been harvested.

CDQ Sector: harvested last week was 0MT the seasonal harvest is 111,100MT. The A season allocation is 49,995MT with 49,844MT having been harvested, leaving 151MT of the A season to harvest 100% of the A season allocation has been taken and 45% of the annual allocation.

Pollock Incidental Catch: last week harvest was 1,878MT for the season 12,014MT leaving 37,486MT to harvest 24% the annual allocation has been harvested.

Salmon bycatch: the bycatch total through 3-19-22 is 4,431 Chinook salmon taken as bycatch for the week, the 2022 Chinook bycatch allocation is at 10% leaving 41,269 fish of the cap amount of 45,700 fish. Chum salmon, the season total a is seventy -three fish.

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CV Pot/HL < 60'ft: harvested 0MT last week for the season 3,961MT leaving -213MT cod allocation to harvest, -106% of the seasonal allocation has been harvested.

C/P Pot CPs 114MT was harvested last week of A season Cod for the season 1,070MT. The A season remaining allocation is 933MT 53% of the A season allocation has been harvested.

Pot Cod 60’>: harvested 0MT last week for the season 6,955MT leaving -1,235MT over the of A season allocation 5,720MT to harvest 122 % of the A season allocation has been harvested.

Hook and Line C/Ps: harvested 1,811MT last week for the season 17,720MT from the A season allocation of 33,164MT leaving the A season allocation at 17,219MT to harvest 51% of the A season allocation has been harvested.

Pacific Cod CDQ: had a harvest 92MT last week for the season 2,668MT from an allocation of 15,877MT leaving 13,210MT 16.8% of the CDQ harvest has been taken.

Pacific Cod Trawl: this fishery will be opened on January 20,2022, with the A season allocation of 37,744MT the seasonal harvest for three sectors is CV (catcher vessels) 21,944MT Amendment 80 13,485MT At Sea fleet 2,315MT. We had a harvest through March 19th last week of 580MT harvested last week with 442MT from the Amendment 80 sector, At Sea 69MT and CV sector 69MT A season harvest stands at 27,943MT leaving 10,282MT of A season trawl cod to harvest 74.0% of the A season harvest has been harvested.

Pacific Cod Jig: 0MT harvested last week, for the season 0MT harvested from the jig allocation of 1,879MT leaving 1,879MT 0% of the allocation has been harvested.

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Amendment 80 Fisheries:

The Amendment 80 sector for the week ending on, March 19, 2022, fishing increased slightly last week, harvest came in at 8,028MT (17.6 million pounds) 6,500MT decrease over last week’s harvest. I assume the decrease was due to catcher processors offloads intown. The total harvest stands 76,375MT (168 million pounds) of various species including the CDQ harvest. The seasonal harvest totals by species are as follows, Yellowfin Sole 42,518MT, Rock Sole 7,698MT Alaska Plaice, 2,999MT, Flathead Sole 6,488MT, Arrowtooth Flounder 221MT, Kamchatka Flounder 51MT other Flatfish 794MT other species harvested this season including Perch and Rockfish, 1,711MT Atka Mackerel 5,606MT Octopus,131MT Skate 8,057MT Greenland Turbot, 9MT and Sablefish Trawl 92MT

Opilio Snow Crab 3-28-2022

The Snow crab fishery has slowed down, there are only five vessels still fishing due to leasing quota on multiple boats to be harvested. Through this morning the fleet has made one hundred-fifty-two landings for 4.26 million pounds leaving 1.24 million pounds

to harvest 77% of the allocation has been harvested. The catch per pot according is between 120-130 crab; live weight average is particularly good at 1.3 lbs. large crab.

Bairdi Tanner Crab Western District 3-28-2022

Fishing has picked up the past two west in the Western District area in the Pribilof Islands is about done, and the fishery closes by regulation on March 31,2022. With ninety-four landings completed for 1.089 million pounds, leaving 10,298lbs. to harvest 96% of the allocation has been harvested. There are only one vessel still fishing the Tanner Crab allocation

State Water Golden King Crab Fisheries 3-28-2022

Aleutian Island Golden King Crab fishery, opened on August 1, 2021. The Eastern District is at 52 landings for 3.61 million pounds with 100% of the allocation harvested -4,788lbs. over the allocation. The Western District is at 30 landings an estimated 1.7 million pounds harvested leaving 500,000lbs to harvest 81% of the harvest is complete. The total landings are at 80 for 5.4 million pounds the Golden King Crab allocation is 5.9 million pounds leaving 500,000 million pounds to harvest 90% of the harvest is completed. There were two landings from the Western District last week.

Halibut IFQ 3-28-2022

There have been 134 landings as of this morning for 589,403 lbs. leaving 19.7 million to harvest from the seasonal allocation of 20.3 million lbs. 2% of the allocation has been harvested only 150,000lbs were landed last week. Port of landings of Halibut, Sitka leads the way with 87,846lbs. No Halibut CDQ activity yet. Starting ex-vessel prices for are remarkably high in \$7.00-\$8.00 per pound with much the fish going to the fresh market.

Sablefish IFQ 3-28-2022

This fishery has had eighty-six landings as of this morning for 1.82 million lbs. leaving 54.5 million lbs. to harvest from the seasonal allocation of 56.4 million lbs. 3% of the allocation gas been harvested, last week harvest came in at 300,000lbs. Port of landings of Sablefish, Sitka leads the way with 1.02 million pounds landed. Prices for Sablefish at the start of the season are in the \$5.00 to \$6.00 per pound based on size.

Regards

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Attachments

- 1.Harvest Data
- 2.NOAA Reports

