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Subject: Fishery Update for 3-7-2022

Federal Water Groundfish Harvest catch as of 2-26-22 BSAI Crab, and State Water Pot Cod 3-7-22.

Fishing Seasons: The 2022 IFQ Halibut and Sablefish fisheries opened on Sunday March 6th at noon. The Halibut allocation is set at 20.2 million pounds the allocations for area 4-A is 1.7 million lbs. 4-B 1.0 million lbs. and 4-CDE is set at 1.1 million pounds. Sablefish allocation is set at 56.4 million pounds the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands allocations is set at 13.1 million pounds.

Pollock A season and all other trawl fisheries opened on January 20th. The week ending on February 26th fishing continues to be strong, for Pollock for the week the harvest was 59,614MT for the season 291,054MT (in pounds 641 million) leaving 153,000MT of A season allocation to harvest, 65% of the A season allocation has been harvested. If fishing continues at his rate the Pollock A season should be wrapped up by the end of the third week of March. The opening ex-vessel price on Pollock is averaging \$0.16 per pound putting the ex-vessel value of the A season at \$155 million without profit sharing amounts that is figured in at the end of the season.

Pacific Cod fishery, harvest through February 26th, 2022, was 8,927MT (19.7 million pounds) from the total allocation of 147,180MT. The overall Pacific Cod allocation from all sectors is at 147,180MT the harvest through February 26, 2022, is at 43,574MT (in pounds ninety-six million pounds) leaving 103,606MT to harvest (in pounds 228 million).

Hook and Line C/Ps: harvested 2,090MT last week, for the season 11,981MT from the A season allocation of 33,164MT leaving the A season allocation at 21,183MT to harvest 36% of the A season allocation has been harvested.

The Trawl cod sector 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 February 26th last week of 6,526MT harvested last week with 1,136MT from the Amendment 80 sector, At Sea Processors 222MT and CV sector 5,164MT A season

harvest stands at 23,491MT leaving 13,383MT of A season trawl cod to harvest 62% of the A season harvest has been harvested.

The Pacific Cod State Water: the sixty' foot under pot vessels through March 7, 2022, fishing has been improving, the fishery is at 198 landings from twenty-five vessels for 13.1million pounds leaving 24.1 million pounds still to harvest 35% of the harvest has been completed.

The Amendment 80 sector for the week ending on, February 26, 2022, fishing picked up a bit last week harvest came in at 8,600MT (18.9 million pounds) 4,000MT increase over last week's harvest. I assume the increase was due to catcher processors having finished there intown Port of Dutch Harbor offloads. The total harvest stands 46,612MT (102.7 million pounds) of various species including the CDQ harvest

The Snow crab fishery has slowed down, there are only six vessels still fishing due to leasing quota on multiple boats to be harvested. Through this morning the fleet has made one hundred-twenty-nine landings 3.9 million pounds leaving 1.67 million pounds to harvest 71% of the allocation has been harvested. The catch per pot according to ADFG is between 130-140 crab; live weight average is particularly good at 1.3 lbs. large crab.

The Western District area, the Bairdi Tanner Crab fishery in the Pribilof Islands is about done, and the fishery closes by regulation on March 31,2022. With eighty-nine landings completed for 1.0 million pounds, leaving 98,000lbs. to harvest 91% of the allocation has been harvested. There are only two vessels still fishing the Tanner Crab allocation.

Aleutian Island Golden King Crab fishery, opened on August 1, 2021. Through March 7th 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 26 landing an estimated 1.3 million pounds harvested leaving 750,000lbs to harvest 67% of the harvest is complete. The total landings are at 78 for 5.15 million pounds the Golden King Crab allocation is 5.9 million pounds leaving 800,000 million pounds to harvest 86.4% of the harvest is completed. There were no landings from the Western District last week.

Overall Groundfish Harvest: The A season catch as of 2-26-2022 was 78,747MT (173.3 million pounds) a 3,000MT increase over the previous weeks harvest, with much of the harvest 59,000MT was Pollock, (one hundred thirty million pounds). The season totals are 394,667MT harvested (869 million pounds) leaving 1,458,563MMT (3.2 billion pounds) to harvest 21% of the overall annual harvest of 1,744,000MMT (3.8 billion pounds) has been taken.

Pollock: The Pollock A season open on January 20th for the week ending on February 26th we had a harvest of 59,614MT (131 million pounds) this week showing the A season harvest at 291,054MT (641 million pounds) leaving 153,000MT (337 million pounds) to harvest, 65% of the A season allocation has been harvested.

Inshore CV: this sector harvested 20,695MT last week, the seasonal harvest is 475,200MT the A season allocation 213,840MT 112,848MT has been harvested leaving 100,992MT of A season to harvest, with 53% of the A allocation having been harvested, and 24% of the seasonal harvest.

At Sea Processors: At Sea sector harvested 27,124MT last week, the seasonal harvest is 380,160MT the A season allocation is 171,072 the A season harvest stands at 113,496MT leaving 57,576MT of the A season allocation to harvest, 66% of the A season allocation has been taken and 30% of the seasonal allocation.

Mothership Sector: harvested last week was 4,972MT the seasonal harvest is at 95,040MT the A season harvest is at 19,672MT from 42,768MT leaving 23,096MT of A season allocation to harvest 46% of the A season allocation has been harvested, and 21% of the annual allocation has been harvested.

CDQ Sector: harvested last week was 6,823MT the seasonal harvest is 111,100MT. The A season allocation is 49,995MT with 46,038MT having been harvested, leaving 3,957MT of the A season to harvest 92% of the A season allocation has been taken and 41% of the annual allocation.

Pollock Incidental Catch: last week harvest was 1,616MT for the season 7,534MT leaving 41,966MT to harvest 15% the annual allocation has been harvested.

Salmon bycatch: the bycatch total through 2-26-22 is 3,288Chinook salmon taken as bycatch for the week, the 2022 Chinook bycatch allocation is at 7% leaving 42,412 fish of the cap amount of 45,700 fish 7% of the cap amount has been taken. Chum salmon, the season total as of 2-26-22 is forty-three fish.

Pacific Cod: Pacific Cod has slowed down with the closer of two of the pot cod vessels fisheries have been completed. harvest through February 26, 2022, was 8,927MT (19.7 million pounds) from the total allocation of 147,180MT. The overall Pacific Cod allocation from all sectors is at 147,180MT the harvest through February 26, 2022, is at 43,574MT (in pounds ninety-six million pounds) leaving 103,606MT to harvest (in pounds 228 million).

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 0MT was harvested last week of A season Cod for the season 574MT. The A season remaining allocation is 447MT 56% 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.

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Pacific Cod CDQ: had a harvest 302MT last week for the season 1,900MT from an allocation of 15,877MT leaving 13,977MT 13% of the CDQ harvest has been taken.

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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.

State Water Pot Cod <60' Under: the sixty' foot under pot vessels through March 7, 2022, fishing has been improving, the fishery is at 198 landings from twenty-five vessels for 13.1million pounds leaving 24.1 million pounds still to harvest 35% of the harvest has been completed.

Amendment 80 Fisheries:

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Opilio Snow Crab 3-7-2022

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Bairdi Tanner Crab Western District 3-7-2022

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State Water Golden King Crab Fisheries 3-3-2022

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Attachments 1.Harvest Data