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Subject: Fishery Update for 4-4-2022

Federal Water Groundfish Harvest catch as of 3-26-22 BSAI Crab, Halibut/Sablefish IFQ and State Water Pot Cod 4-4-22.

Fishing Seasons Information: The outbound migration on processors and harvesters continues in the community I see that Ravn has not any reservations available to Anchorage until April 10th, 2022. The North Pacific Fishery Management Council April meeting starts on Wednesday April 6th and will go through April 10th I will be attending the meeting online.

The Pollock fishery should be wrapped up in a week to 10 day there is only 26,177MT of that 23,720MT is on the shoreside sector mostly Trident allocation 95% of the A season is complete. Pacific Cod is also slowing down the trawl cod fishery closed on April 2nd the only pot cod fishery ongoing is the State Water 60< under fishery that still has 11.8 million pounds to harvest, and the freezer longline CPs still have 19,000MT of A season cod to harvest so they will be going into June of July. The Amendment 80 bottom trawl sector has enough allocation to fish all year unless they run into bycatch limits on Halibut and Crab. The Crab fisheries are also wrapping up as well the Snow crab fishery still has 1.2 million pounds to harvest but the handful of boats still fishing have ice and weather problems, Golden King Crab fishery has 500,000lbs left to harvest. The Tanner Crab fishery harvested a little over 1.0 million pounds and closed on March 31st. Halibut and Sablefish I FQ fisheries are going slow, a month into the season Halibut has a harvest of 895,000lbs leaving 19.4 to harvest, Sablefish is at 3.3 million harvested leaving 53.1 million pounds to harvest. Landings in Unalaska for both species are still confidential.

Overall Groundfish Harvest 3-26-2022: the A season harvest last week was 39,494MT (87 million pounds) a 32,000MT decrease over the previous weeks harvest, due to the Pollock fishery wrapping up with much of the harvest last week 23,720MT was Pollock, (52.2 million pounds) The season totals are 616,337MT harvested (1.35 billion pounds) leaving 1,236,230MMT (2.72 billion pounds) to harvest 33% of the overall annual harvest of 1,744,000MMT (3.8 billion pounds) has been taken.

Pollock: 3-26-2022: the Pollock A season open on January 20th for the week ending on March 26th we had a harvest of 23,720MT (52 million pounds) putting the A season harvest at 451,558MT (995 million pounds) leaving 26,177MT (57 million pounds) to harvest, 95% of the A season allocation has been harvested. The season should be wrapped up in the next 5-10 days. The onshore sector has much of the allocation to harvest 23,595MT (mostly Trident). 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 will be figured in at the end of the season.

Inshore CV: this sector harvested 18,170MT last week, the seasonal harvest is 475,200MT the A season allocation 213,840MT 190,245MT has been harvested leaving 23,595MT of A season to harvest, with 89% of the A allocation having been harvested, and 40% of the seasonal harvest.

At Sea Processors: At Sea sector harvested 0MT 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 5,550MT the seasonal harvest is at 95,040MT the A season harvest allocation is 42,768MT the A season harvest is at 41,049MT leaving 1,719MT of A season allocation to harvest 96% of the A season allocation has been harvested, and 43% 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 2,055MT for the season 14,078MT leaving 35,422MT to harvest 28% the annual allocation has been harvested.

Salmon bycatch: the bycatch total through 3-26-22 is 4,813 Chinook salmon taken as bycatch for the week. Chinook bycatch allocation is at 11% leaving 40,887 fish of the cap amount of 45,700 fish. Chum salmon, the season total a is seventy-three fish.

Pacific Cod: Pacific Cod 3-26-2022: Pacific Cod fishery has slowed down with the closer of three of the pot cod vessels fisheries have been completed. harvest through March 26, 2022, was 61,398MT (135 million pounds) from the total allocation of 147,180MT. The A season harvest is at 61,398MT (135 million pounds) leaving 82,782MT to harvest (in pounds 182 million) 41% of the Pacific Cod allocation has been harvested.

Hook and Line C/Ps: This sector harvested 2,036MT last week for the season 19,757MT from the A season allocation of 33,164MT leaving the A season allocation at 13,407MT to harvest 57% of the A season allocation has been harvested

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 26th last week of 1,440MT harvested last week with 668MT from the Amendment 80 sector, At Sea 0MT and CV sector 752MT A season harvest stands at 28,803MT leaving 9,422MT of A season trawl cod to harvest 76% of the A season harvest has been harvested.

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 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.

Pacific Cod CDQ: had a harvest 188MT last week for the season 2,879MT from an allocation of 15,689MT leaving 13,199MT 18.3% of the CDQ harvest has been taken.

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 4-4-2022: the sixty' foot under pot vessels through March 28, 2022, fishing has been improving, the fishery is at 391 landings from twenty-nine vessels for 25.2 million pounds leaving 11.8 million pounds still to harvest 68% of the harvest has been completed.

Amendment 80 Fisheries Bottom Trawl Sector 3-26-2022: The Amendment 80 sector for the week ending on, March 26, 2022, fishing increased slightly last week, harvest came in at 9,999MT (22 million pounds) 2,000MT increase over last week's harvest. The total harvest stands 86,374MT (190million pounds) of various species including the CDQ harvest. The seasonal harvest totals by species are as follows, Yellowfin Sole 46,310MT, Rock Sole 9,145MT Alaska Plaice, 3,798MT, Flathead Sole 6,833MT, Arrowtooth Flounder 207MT, Kamchatka Flounder 54MT other Flatfish 778MT other species harvested this season including Perch and Rockfish, 1,949MT Atka Mackerel 8,331MT Octopus, 143MT Skate 8,704MT Greenland Turbot, 8MT and Sablefish Trawl 99MT

Opilio Snow Crab 4-4-2022

The Snow crab fishery has slowed down, due to ice and severe weather on the grounds; 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-four landings for 4.27 million pounds leaving 1.23 million pounds to harvest 77.6% of the allocation has been harvested. The catch per pot according is between 100-120 crab; live weight average is particularly good at 1.3 lbs. large crab.

Bairdi Tanner Crab Western District 4-4-2022

Fishing has picked up the past two weeks in the Western District area in the Pribilof Islands is now closed, the fishery closed by regulation on March 31,2022. With ninety-four landings completed for 1.089 million pounds, leaving 10,298lbs. unharvested 96% of the allocation has been harvested.

State Water Golden King Crab Fisheries 4-4-2022

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 no landings from the Western District last week.

Halibut IFQ 4-4-2022

There have been 194 landings as of this morning for 895,483 lbs. leaving 19.4 million to harvest from the seasonal allocation of 20.3 million lbs. 4% of the allocation has been harvested only 300,000lbs were landed last week. Port of landings of Halibut, Sitka leads the way with 118,906lbs. followed by Homer at 88,040lbs No Halibut CDQ activity yet. Starting ex-vessel prices for are remarkably high in \$7.00-\$8.00 per pound depending on fish size with much the fish still going to the fresh market.

Sablefish IFQ 4-4-2022

This fishery has had 157 landings as of this morning for 3.3 million lbs. leaving 53.1 million lbs. to harvest from the seasonal allocation of 56.4 million lbs. 5.8% of the allocation gas been harvested, last week harvest came in at 1.5 million pounds. Port of landings of Sablefish, Sitka leads the way with 1.4 million pounds landed followed by Seward at 446,416lbs. 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

