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ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

Alaska Peninsula/Chignik/Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands Pacific Cod October 18-19, 2018 | Egan Center, Anchorage

PRELIMINARY SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

This summary is informational only. The actions indicated below will have legal effects in regulations that provide the sole legal action of the board. All references to meeting materials, including this summary, may be located on the Board of Fisheries meeting website at:

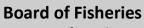
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Board Members Present

Reed Morisky, Chair Robert Ruffner, Vice Chair Orville Huntington Al Cain John Jensen Fritz Johnson Israel Payton

C=Carried, C/A=Carried as Amended, F=Failed, F/A=Failed as Amended, N/A=No Action

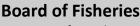
Action	#	Proposal	Audio Tracking Info*				
GROUE	GROUP 1: Aleutian Islands Subdistrict Pacific Cod Management Plan (8 proposals)						
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F (0-7)	1	Repeal and replace the Aleutian Island Subdistrict Pacific Cod Management Plan with management measures found in the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict Pacific Cod Management Plan.	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 10:15:52 AM				
C/A (7-0)	2	Eliminate the 15-million-pound cap in the Aleutian Islands Subdistrict Pacific Cod Management Plan. (Substituted with language in RC 35.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 10:20:37 AM				
N/A (7-0)	3	Amend the Aleutian Islands Subdistrict Pacific Cod Management Plan to reduce the guideline harvest level based on processor availability. (Took no action due to action under Proposal 2.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 11:20:52 AM				
N/A (7-0)	4	Decrease Aleutian Islands Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery guideline harvest level if the guideline harvest level is not fully harvested the previous year. (Took no action due to action under Proposal 2.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 10:20:52 AM				





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N/A (7-0)	5	Increase the 2020 Aleutian Islands Subdistrict statewaters guideline harvest level if 2019 Pacific cod harvest by trawl catcher vessel participants in the federal Unrestricted Fishery diminishes access to the full Aleutian Islands Catcher Vessel Harvest Set-Aside. (Took no action due to proposer's request to withdraw under RC 24.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 10:20:52 AM
F (0-7)	6	Limit fishing for Pacific cod in the Adak section of the Aleutian Islands Subdistrict to vessels 60 feet or less overall length and establish a guideline harvest level rollover provision.	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 11:21:42 AM
F (0-7)	7	Increase vessel size limit to 100 feet overall length for trawl gear vessels during parallel and state-waters Pacific cod seasons in the Adak Section of the Aleutian Islands Subdistrict.	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 11:30:24 AM
F/A (0-7)	8	Establish a pot limit for the Aleutian Island Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery. (Proposal was failed following a motion to reconsider after it had carried (7-0) substituted with language in RC 34.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 11:35:35 AM 01:45:12 PM 03:32:10 PM
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F (0-7)	9	Close waters of the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict to groundfish fishing with non-pelagic trawl gear while the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod season	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 01:45:49 PM
C (7-0)	10	Extend the eastern boundary of the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict.	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 01:50:31 PM
C/A (7-0)	11	Establish a state-waters Pacific cod harvest allocation for jig gear vessels in the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict. (Substituted with language in RC 22.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 01:55:14 PM
C/A (6-1)	12	Increase guideline harvest level to 20 percent of the estimated total allowable harvest of Pacific cod for the federal Bering Sea Subarea. (Substituted with language in RC 12 and further amended to revise the GHL in 5 AAC 28.648(e)(1) from 10% to 8%, with the subsequent step-up provision to change from 11% to 9%.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 01:59:02 PM
N/A (7-0)	13	Increase Dutch Harbor Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery guideline harvest level to 10% of the acceptable biological catch for Pacific cod in the federal Bering Sea subarea and expand the area eastward. (Took no action due to action under Proposal 12.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 02:53:33 PM





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N/A (7-0)	14	Increase Dutch Harbor Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery guideline harvest level to 8% of the acceptable biological catch for Pacific cod in the federal Bering Sea subarea and expand the area eastward. (Took no action due to action under Proposal 12.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 02:53:33 PM			
F (0-7)	15	Limit the amount of Pacific cod that may be onboard a vessel participating in the Dutch Harbor subdistrict Pacific cod fishery to 150,000 pounds and require daily harvest reports.	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 02:53:58 PM			
Chignik Area and South Alaska Peninsula Area Pacific Cod Management Plans (2 proposals)						
C/A (7-0)	16	Resolve conflict in season opening dates between Chignik Area state-waters and parallel Pacific cod fisheries. (Substituted with language in RC 39.)	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 02:56:27 PM			
C (7-0)	17	Repeal weather delay provision for jig gear vessels during the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery.	Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 03:30:51 PM			

^{*} The audio tracking information correlates with the meeting audio available at the bottom of each meeting page. The entry "Meeting 10-19-18 BOF:" indicates the meeting day. The start time indicates when board discussion on the proposal began according to the meeting audio.

Other Board Action/Issues/Discussion:

1. **Board generated proposals.** The board adopted two board generated proposals during miscellaneous business.

Meeting 10-19-18 BOF: 03:39:36 PM

- a. The board received an emergency petition request from the Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) on October 3, 2019, seeking to add purse seine and drift gillnet gear to the Southeastern Alaska Area Salmon Commercial Fishery, District 13: Crawford Inlet Terminal Harvest Area Salmon Management Plan under 5 AAC 33.380. The board found the merits of finding an emergency would not provide a long-term solution for the petitioner and instead adopted the petition as a board generated proposal to be reviewed and deliberated at the Arctic, Yukon, Kuskokwim finfish meeting, in Anchorage, January 15-19, 2019. The petition is under RC #4.
- b. The board generated a second proposal to establish a king and tanner crab fishery west of 170 degrees longitude for vessels 60 feet and under in the Aleutian Islands Area. The proposal was scheduled for review and deliberation at the March 9-12, 2019 Statewide meeting.