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State-Waters Pacific Cod Season, 2015**

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Weights and measures (metric)</b>  |                    | <b>General</b>           |                   | <b>Mathematics, statistics</b>   |                         |
| centimeter                            | cm                 | Alaska Administrative    |                   | <i>all standard mathematical</i> |                         |
| deciliter                             | dL                 | Code                     | AAC               | <i>signs, symbols and</i>        |                         |
| gram                                  | g                  | all commonly accepted    |                   | <i>abbreviations</i>             |                         |
| hectare                               | ha                 | abbreviations            | e.g., Mr., Mrs.,  | alternate hypothesis             | H <sub>A</sub>          |
| kilogram                              | kg                 |                          | AM, PM, etc.      | base of natural logarithm        | e                       |
| kilometer                             | km                 | all commonly accepted    |                   | catch per unit effort            | CPUE                    |
| liter                                 | L                  | professional titles      | e.g., Dr., Ph.D., | coefficient of variation         | CV                      |
| meter                                 | m                  |                          | R.N., etc.        | common test statistics           | (F, t, $\chi^2$ , etc.) |
| milliliter                            | mL                 | at                       | @                 | confidence interval              | CI                      |
| millimeter                            | mm                 | compass directions:      |                   | correlation coefficient          |                         |
|                                       |                    | east                     | E                 | (multiple)                       | R                       |
|                                       |                    | north                    | N                 | correlation coefficient          |                         |
|                                       |                    | south                    | S                 | (simple)                         | r                       |
| <b>Weights and measures (English)</b> |                    | west                     | W                 | covariance                       | cov                     |
| cubic feet per second                 | ft <sup>3</sup> /s | copyright                | ©                 | degree (angular)                 | °                       |
| foot                                  | ft                 | corporate suffixes:      |                   | degrees of freedom               | df                      |
| gallon                                | gal                | Company                  | Co.               | expected value                   | E                       |
| inch                                  | in                 | Corporation              | Corp.             | greater than                     | >                       |
| mile                                  | mi                 | Incorporated             | Inc.              | greater than or equal to         | ≥                       |
| nautical mile                         | nmi                | Limited                  | Ltd.              | harvest per unit effort          | HPUE                    |
| ounce                                 | oz                 | District of Columbia     | D.C.              | less than                        | <                       |
| pound                                 | lb                 | et alii (and others)     | et al.            | less than or equal to            | ≤                       |
| quart                                 | qt                 | et cetera (and so forth) | etc.              | logarithm (natural)              | ln                      |
| yard                                  | yd                 | exempli gratia           |                   | logarithm (base 10)              | log                     |
|                                       |                    | (for example)            | e.g.              | logarithm (specify base)         | log <sub>2</sub> , etc. |
| <b>Time and temperature</b>           |                    | Federal Information      |                   | minute (angular)                 | '                       |
| day                                   | d                  | Code                     | FIC               | not significant                  | NS                      |
| degrees Celsius                       | °C                 | id est (that is)         | i.e.              | null hypothesis                  | H <sub>0</sub>          |
| degrees Fahrenheit                    | °F                 | latitude or longitude    | lat or long       | percent                          | %                       |
| degrees kelvin                        | K                  | monetary symbols         |                   | probability                      | P                       |
| hour                                  | h                  | (U.S.)                   | \$, ¢             | probability of a type I error    |                         |
| minute                                | min                | months (tables and       |                   | (rejection of the null           |                         |
| second                                | s                  | figures): first three    |                   | hypothesis when true)            | α                       |
|                                       |                    | letters                  | Jan, ..., Dec     | probability of a type II error   |                         |
| <b>Physics and chemistry</b>          |                    | registered trademark     | ®                 | (acceptance of the null          |                         |
| all atomic symbols                    |                    | trademark                | ™                 | hypothesis when false)           | β                       |
| alternating current                   | AC                 | United States            |                   | second (angular)                 | "                       |
| ampere                                | A                  | (adjective)              | U.S.              | standard deviation               | SD                      |
| calorie                               | cal                | United States of         |                   | standard error                   | SE                      |
| direct current                        | DC                 | America (noun)           | USA               | variance                         |                         |
| hertz                                 | Hz                 | U.S.C.                   | United States     | population                       | Var                     |
| horsepower                            | hp                 |                          | Code              | sample                           | var                     |
| hydrogen ion activity                 | pH                 | U.S. state               | use two-letter    |                                  |                         |
| (negative log of)                     |                    |                          | abbreviations     |                                  |                         |
| parts per million                     | ppm                |                          | (e.g., AK, WA)    |                                  |                         |
| parts per thousand                    | ppt,               |                          |                   |                                  |                         |
|                                       | ‰                  |                          |                   |                                  |                         |
| volts                                 | V                  |                          |                   |                                  |                         |
| watts                                 | W                  |                          |                   |                                  |                         |

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## ABSTRACT

This document provides an overview of the 2015 Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery. The Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season for pot gear is scheduled to open seven days after closure of the Central Gulf of Alaska (CGOA) federal/parallel Pacific cod pot gear sector A-season. The Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season for jig gear is scheduled to open 48 hours after closure of the CGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear sector A-season; however, if the CGOA jig gear sector has not closed by March 15, the state-waters jig gear season may open based on assessment of effort, harvest rate, and remaining federal jig quota. Legal gear for the state-waters Pacific cod season is limited to pot, mechanical jigging machine, and hand troll gear. No more than 60 groundfish pots or five mechanical jigging machines may be operated from a vessel. The 2015 Kodiak Area state-waters season Pacific cod guideline harvest level (GHL) is 16.90 million pounds; pot and jig vessels are each allocated 50 percent of the total GHL or 8.45 million pounds.

Key words: Pacific cod, *Gadus macrocephalus*, Kodiak Area, management plan, regulations, jigging machine, pot, guideline harvest level, parallel season, state-waters season

## INTRODUCTION

### AREA DESCRIPTION

The Kodiak groundfish registration area consists of all waters south of the latitude of Cape Douglas (lat 58°51.10'N), west of long 149°W, and east of a line extending south from the Alaska Peninsula near Kilokak Rocks (long 156°20.22'W; Figure 1).

### OVERVIEW

Two distinct fisheries for Pacific cod *Gadus macrocephalus* occur within state waters (0–3 nmi) of the Kodiak Area. The first fishery is prosecuted concurrent to the federal Central Gulf of Alaska (CGOA) Pacific cod fishery and is referred to as the parallel fishery. The parallel fishery is managed by adopting most National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) regulations and management actions. The second Pacific cod fishery is the Kodiak Area state-waters fishery. The state-waters fishery is independent of the federal/parallel fishery and is managed exclusively by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) under guidelines developed by the Alaska Board of Fisheries.

### Parallel Pacific Cod Fishery

When the federal (3–200 nmi) CGOA area is open to directed Pacific cod fishing, the State of Alaska opens a concurrent parallel fishery inside state waters (0–3 nmi). Except for nonpelagic trawl gear, which is prohibited inside all state waters of the Kodiak Area, the same gear types in the federal Pacific cod fishery are allowed in the parallel fishery. With the exception of vessels using jig gear, all vessels that participate in the parallel Pacific cod fishery must have an activated NMFS approved vessel monitoring system (VMS; 5 AAC 28.087(c)). Steller sea lion restrictions during the parallel fishery match federal management measures (5 AAC 28.087), except for the Cape Barnabas haulout, which is open for pot and jig vessels during the parallel season (Figure 2).

All vessels must be registered for the parallel season with ADF&G prior to fishing, and a copy of the ADF&G parallel groundfish vessel registration must be retained on board the vessel while participating in the fishery. Under State of Alaska regulations, vessels that fish in the parallel Pacific cod fishery are not required to possess a federal fishing permit (FFP) or Pacific cod gear endorsement administered through the federal License Limitation Program (LLP). Vessels with a FFP or LLP that participate in the parallel fishery should be aware of federal regulations

regarding observer coverage and catch reporting requirements, as well as other NMFS regulations.

The parallel Pacific cod fishery is divided into two seasons: the A-season and B-season. The parallel Pacific cod A-season opens January 1 to pot, longline, and jig gear sectors. The parallel Pacific cod jig sector B-season opens June 10. The B-season for all other gear sectors begins September 1.

Pacific cod harvested during the parallel season is deducted from the federal gear-specific sector harvest allocation. Parallel Pacific cod seasons for the pot and longline sectors close when their respective sector harvest allocations are achieved. The parallel Pacific cod A-season for the jig gear sector closes when the jig gear sector harvest allocation is achieved; however, if the A-season jig sector harvest allocation has not been achieved by March 15, the parallel jig gear season may close on or about March 15 to allow the Kodiak Area state-waters jig gear season to open.

For additional information regarding federal Pacific cod regulations and harvest updates, contact NMFS Sustainable Fisheries Division (1-800-304-4846 #3), NMFS enforcement (907-486-3298), or the NMFS Observer Program (206-526-4195). For other information regarding the parallel fishery, contact ADF&G in Kodiak (907-486-1840).

### **State-Waters Pacific Cod Fishery**

State-waters Pacific cod fisheries are open access fisheries and are prosecuted independent of federal/parallel fisheries. Information specific to the 2015 Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery is outlined below.

## **STATE-WATERS PACIFIC COD SEASON**

### **OVERVIEW**

Regulations pertaining to the Kodiak Area Pacific cod fisheries begin on page 38 of the 2014–2015 Statewide Commercial Groundfish Fishing Regulations booklet. ADF&G manages the Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season in accordance with 5 AAC 28.467 *Kodiak Area Pacific Cod Management Plan*. Following is a summary of important regulations that govern the 2015 season.

### **2015 GUIDELINE HARVEST LEVEL**

The guideline harvest level (GHL) for the Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season is based on 12.5 percent of the CGOA Acceptable Biological Catch for Pacific cod. **The 2015 Kodiak Area GHL for Pacific cod is 16,898,432 pounds.** By regulation, 50 percent of the total GHL or 8,449,216 pounds is allocated to the pot fleet and 50 percent of the total GHL or 8,449,216 pounds is allocated to the jig fleet. Harvest by pot vessels greater than 58 feet in length is capped at 50 percent of the pot gear allocation or 4,224,608 pounds prior to September 1.

### **SEASON DATES AND GHL ROLLOVER PROVISIONS**

#### **Pot Gear**

The 2015 Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season for pot gear will open seven days after closure of the CGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod pot gear sector A-season. The state-waters

season for pot gear will close when the Kodiak Area Pacific cod pot gear GHL allocation has been harvested.

If the state-waters pot gear GHL allocation has not been fully harvested by August 28, the state-waters pot gear season will close on August 28 to allow the CGOA parallel Pacific cod pot gear sector B-season to open September 1. If the state-waters season is reopened after the federal CGOA pot sector B-season closes, the harvest cap on pot vessels over 58 feet in length will be removed. A summary of state-waters and parallel season dates is located in Appendix B1.

## **Jig Gear**

The Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season for jig gear will open 48 hours after closure of the CGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear sector A-season. If the CGOA federal/parallel jig gear sector A-season has not closed by March 15, ADF&G may close the parallel (0–3 nmi) jig sector season on or after March 15 and open the Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season for jig gear. ADF&G will close the parallel season based on the department’s ability to provide for an orderly fishery through assessment of effort, harvest rate, or remaining federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear quota.

If the state-waters jig season opens prior to closure of the federal jig sector season, the Kodiak Area state-waters season (0–3 nmi) will be prosecuted concurrent to the federal (3–200 nmi) CGOA jig gear sector Pacific cod season. Vessels that participate in the Kodiak Area state-waters season will be subject to state fisheries regulations, and all Pacific cod harvested will be deducted from the Kodiak Area state-waters jig gear GHL allocation. Vessels that participate in the federal CGOA jig gear sector season will be subject to federal fisheries regulations, and all Pacific cod harvested will be deducted from the federal CGOA jig gear sector harvest allocation.

When the Kodiak Area state-waters and CGOA federal Pacific cod seasons are open concurrently for the same gear, the following requirements apply:

- Vessels may not simultaneously participate in a Kodiak Area state-waters season and any other Pacific cod season.
- Vessels registered for a state-waters season must invalidate their ADF&G Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod registration prior to participating in a federal Pacific cod season.
- Vessels participating in a federal Pacific cod season must register with ADF&G prior to participating in the Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season.
- All Pacific cod must be delivered prior to validating or invalidating a Kodiak state-waters Pacific cod registration.
- Vessel operators may validate or invalidate vessel registrations by contacting ADF&G in Kodiak (907-486-1840) during normal state business hours (Monday–Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM).

The Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season for jig gear will close when the Kodiak Area Pacific cod jig GHL allocation has been harvested. If the Kodiak Area state-waters jig gear GHL allocation has not been fully harvested by June 8, the state-waters jig gear season may close on June 8 based on inseason assessment of effort, harvest rate, or remaining state-waters GHL to allow the CGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear sector B-season to open June 10. After closure of the federal/parallel CGOA jig gear B-season, the state-waters jig gear season will reopen if the state-waters jig gear GHL allocation has not been achieved. A summary of state-waters and parallel season dates is located in Appendix B1.

## **GHL Rollover Provisions**

The Kodiak Area Pacific cod management plan provides additional late season fishing opportunity when the GHL is not fully harvested. If a substantial portion of the total state-waters season GHL remains unharvested on or after September 1, gear limits may be removed to facilitate full harvest of the GHL. If the total Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod GHL has not been harvested upon closure of the federal/parallel CGOA pot gear sector B-season, ADF&G may reopen the state-waters season to both jig and pot gear with all gear allocations removed. Additionally, the Kodiak Area may be designated as a nonexclusive registration area for Pacific cod after October 30 if projected harvest indicates the GHL will not be fully harvested by the regulatory season closure date on December 31. All actions pertaining to rollover provisions will be announced by ADF&G news release.

## **VESSEL REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

The Kodiak Area is an exclusive registration area for Pacific cod. Once a vessel is registered for the 2015 Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season, that vessel may not be used to take Pacific cod in any other exclusive or superexclusive state-waters Pacific cod management area during 2015. Conversely, if a vessel is registered for an exclusive or superexclusive state-waters Pacific cod season outside of the Kodiak Area, that vessel may not participate in the 2015 Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod season unless the Kodiak Area is designated as a nonexclusive registration area after October 30.

Pacific cod vessel registrations may be obtained in person or by fax at the Kodiak ADF&G office. A 2015 Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC) interim-use miscellaneous finfish permit card for the appropriate gear type must be obtained prior to registration. CFEC and other fishery related contact information is provided in Appendix A1.

Tender vessel operators must obtain a tender vessel registration for the state-waters Pacific cod season. Tender operators may target Pacific cod with either pot or jig gear while operating as a tender vessel. Separate fish tickets must be completed for fish landed by the tender vessel and for fish taken from other fishing vessels.

## **LEGAL GEAR, GEAR LIMITS, AND BUOY TAGS**

Pot and jig gear are the only allowable gear types during the state-waters Pacific cod season. Vessels may not use pot and jig gear at the same time. However, vessel operators may change gear registration by contacting the Kodiak ADF&G office (Appendix A1).

During the state-waters season, groundfish pots of any size may be used to take Pacific cod, although individual tunnel eye openings on pot gear may not exceed 36 inches in perimeter. All pots must be equipped with a biodegradable escape mechanism (5 AAC 39.145 *Escape Mechanism for Shellfish and Bottomfish Pots*). Pots must contain an opening 18 inches or greater in length placed within 6 inches of the bottom of the pot secured together by a single length of untreated, 100 percent cotton twine no larger than 30 thread count. No more than 60 groundfish pots may be operated from a vessel, unless the pot limit has been rescinded by emergency order on or after September 1.

Buoy tags are required for pot gear when the 60 pot limit is in effect. Tags must be placed on a surface buoy and are available at a cost of \$1.50 per tag from the Kodiak ADF&G office. If buoy tags are lost during the season, replacement tags may be obtained by contacting ADF&G in

Kodiak. The vessel owner, operator, or agent must complete and submit an affidavit form to ADF&G that describes how tags were lost and the location and unique number(s) of each lost tag. Pots with lost tags may remain in the water, but those pots must be secured open with bait and bait containers removed until replacement tags are attached.

A vessel using mechanical jigging machines is restricted to operating no more than five machines unless the gear limit has been rescinded by emergency order after September 1. No more than 30 hooks may be attached to each machine. There are no limits on the amount of hand troll gear that may be operated from a vessel. Jig vessel operators may use both hand troll and mechanical jigging gear at the same time; however, separate CFEC permit cards and fish tickets are required for each gear type at the time of landing.

### **POT BUOY MARKING REQUIREMENTS**

Buoys attached to groundfish pots must be marked with the permanent ADF&G number of the vessel operating that gear (5 AAC 28.050 and 5 AAC 28.430(b)). The buoy containing the five-digit ADF&G number may not be marked with any additional numbers; however, symbols and letters are acceptable. Trailer buoys used to mark ownership or string sequence may be marked with any desired numbers, symbols, or letters.

### **POT STORAGE AND GEAR CONFIGURATION**

All pot gear must be open and unbaited at the time of a parallel or state-waters season closure. Open and unbaited pots may be stored, at any depth for a maximum of seven days following the closure date. After seven days, pots must be removed from the water or stored opened and unbaited in waters 25 fathoms or less.

When the state-waters season opens, the 60-pot limit is in effect. During the seven days after the state-waters season opens, a vessel may operate pots in excess of the 60-pot limit only if those pots are stored open and unbaited in waters 25 fathoms or less or being transported onboard a vessel. After the seven-day period, registered vessels may not operate more than the maximum allowable 60 pots for the remainder of the state-waters season. Following closure of the state-waters season vessel operators may not stack or move gear into storage while Pacific cod is on board the vessel (5 AAC 28.070 (c)(1)).

### **LANDING REQUIREMENTS**

After 48 hours following closure of a parallel or state-waters Pacific cod season, a vessel may not have Pacific cod onboard the vessel unless 1) the Pacific cod were harvested as allowable bycatch in another directed fishery, or 2) the vessel has been delayed due to extraordinary circumstances and the vessel operator has contacted an ADF&G representative within 48 hours following the closure and has been granted additional time to reach the port of landing.

### **BYCATCH**

In state waters (0–3 nmi), ADF&G adopts the NMFS maximum retainable bycatch percentages applicable in federal waters (3–200 nmi) for groundfish species that are not actively managed by the State of Alaska. NMFS retainable bycatch percentages are subject to change and may differ between species.

While targeting Pacific cod, vessels using jig gear may retain lingcod, black rockfish, and dark rockfish up to 20 percent by weight of Pacific cod onboard the vessel. Jig vessels may not simultaneously target black rockfish and Pacific cod at the same time. Vessels using pot gear

may retain lingcod, black rockfish, and dark rockfish up to five percent by weight of Pacific cod onboard the vessel. For both gear types, lingcod may only be retained from July 1 to December 31, and these fish must be 35 inches or greater in length from tip of the snout to the tip of the tail. Octopuses may be retained as bycatch up to 20 percent by weight of retained Pacific cod and must be landed on the same miscellaneous finfish card used to deliver Pacific cod (5 AAC 38.417). Updated retainable bycatch percentages can be found on the NMFS Alaska Region website at <http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/> or by contacting ADF&G in Kodiak (Appendix A1).

## **CATCH REPORTING**

ADF&G will manage the Kodiak Area state-waters Pacific cod pot gear season using inseason catch reports provided by vessel operators. Vessel operators using pot gear are encouraged to make daily reports of the harvest location, number of pot lifts, and pounds of Pacific cod retained in the previous 24-hour period (midnight to midnight). Inseason catch reports allow ADF&G to consider how changes in effort, fleet behavior, tides, and weather influence harvest rates. Catch reports will be taken by satellite dispatch (0715), phone (907-486-1840), or email ([mark.stichert@alaska.gov](mailto:mark.stichert@alaska.gov)). Reporting worksheets will be issued to vessel operators during registration. Reports will be initially taken starting at 9:00 a.m. daily.

## **INSEASON ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All actions pertaining to regulatory changes in the state-waters season will be communicated to the fleet by dispatch, distributed via the ADF&G news release email subscription service (<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main>), placed on the ADF&G record-a-phone (907-486-4559, option 1), and relayed through participating processors and National Weather Service marine weather VHF forecasts when possible. ADF&G will make every effort to provide sufficient advance notice prior to a closure; however, the potential exists for short advance notice closures.

Weekly harvest updates will be released each Monday after 4:00 p.m. while the state-waters season is open. Weekly harvest updates are available on the ADF&G website at <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=CommercialByFisheryGroundfish.groundfishcatch> or from the ADF&G groundfish management office in Kodiak.

## **FIGURES**

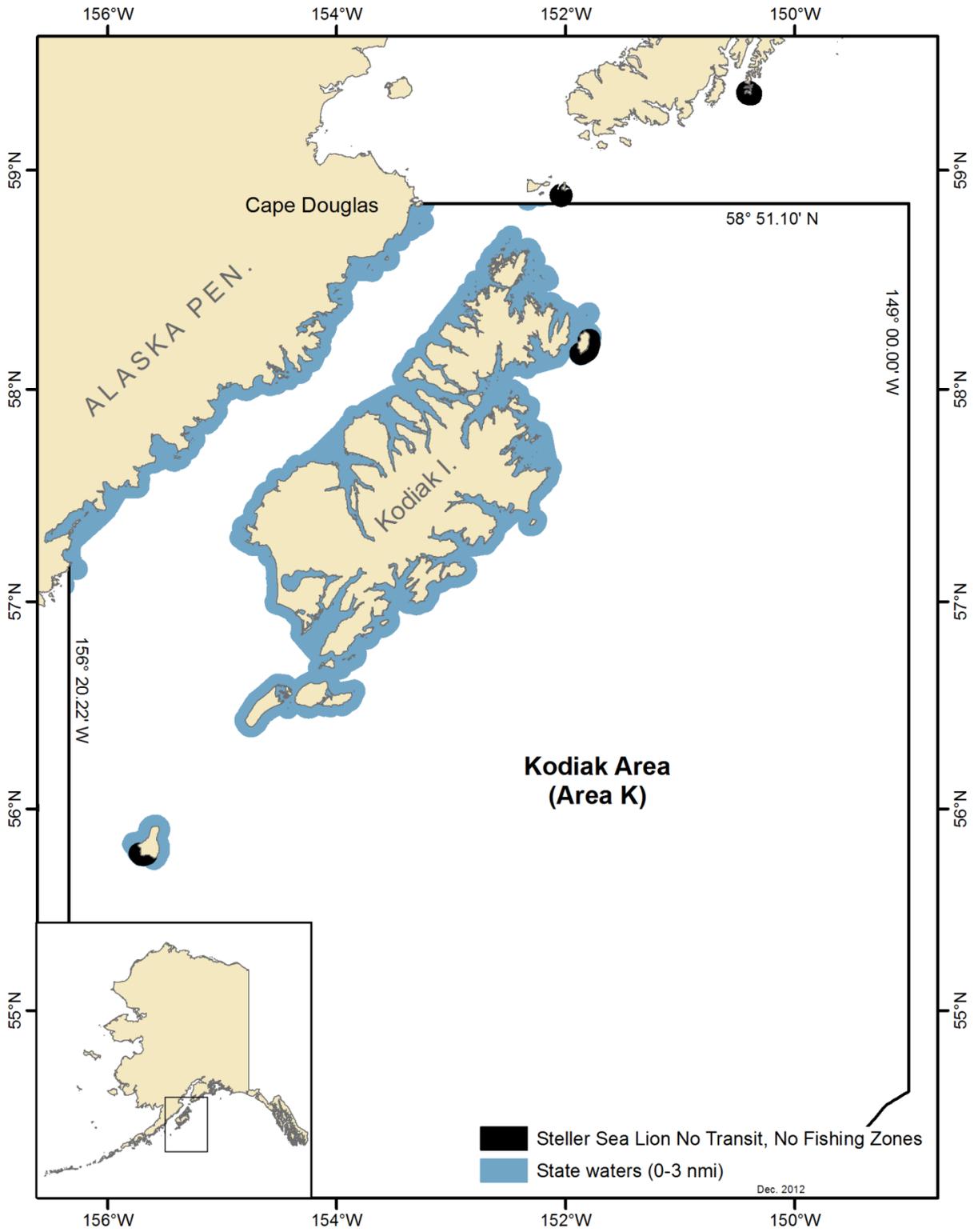


Figure 1.—Kodiak Management Area for state-waters Pacific cod.

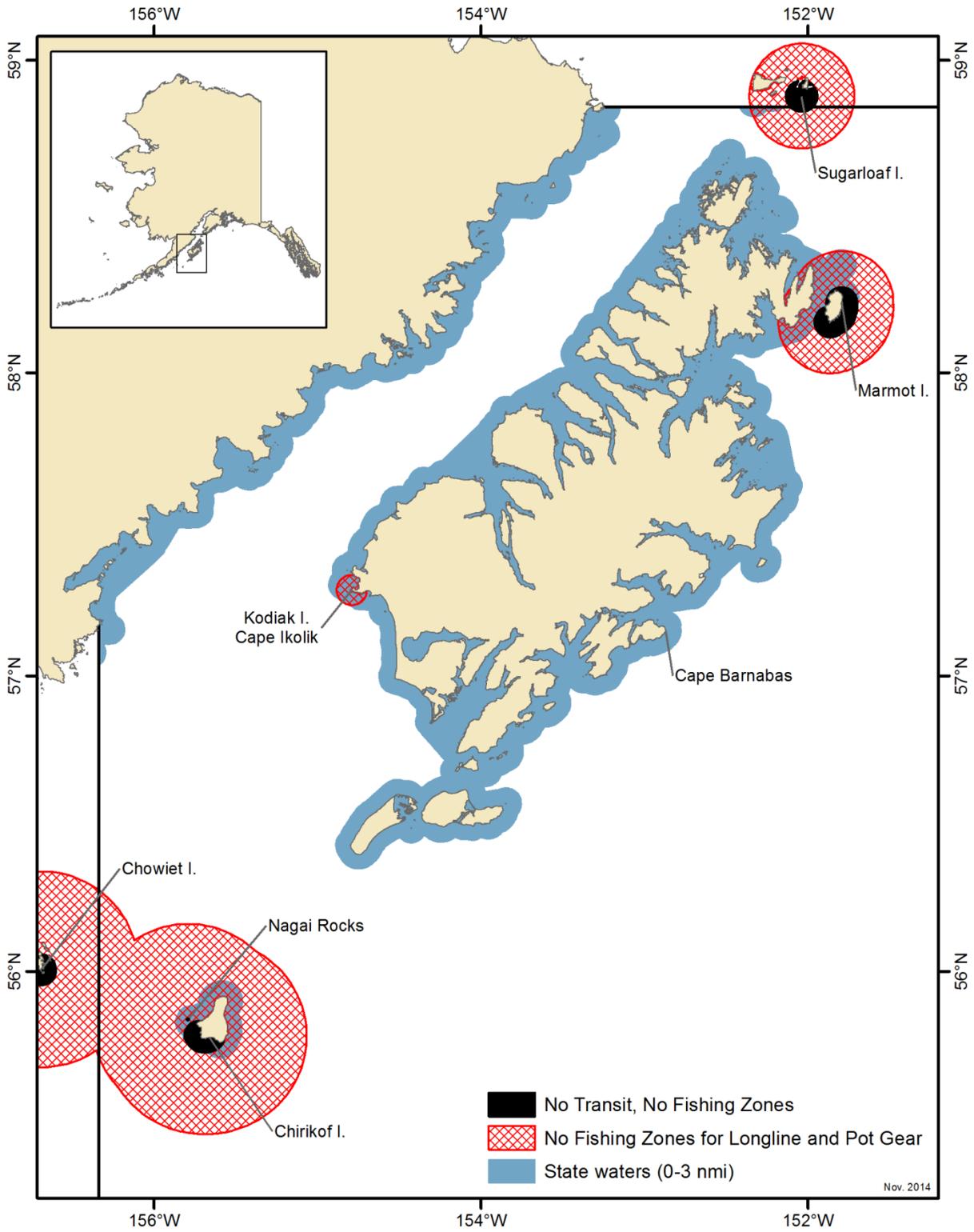


Figure 2.—Steller sea lion closure areas for longline and pot gear during the parallel Pacific cod season in the Kodiak Management Area.



**APPENDIX A. LIST OF FISHERY CONTACTS BY AGENCY  
AND LOCATION**

Appendix A1.–List of fishery contacts by agency and location.

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**Alaska Department of Fish and Game**

**website:** <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishingCommercialByArea.southwest>

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**APPENDIX B. SUMMARY OF DATES AND  
STATE-WATERS GUIDELINE HARVEST LEVELS**

Appendix B1.–Summary of Kodiak, Chignik, and South Alaska Peninsula parallel and state-waters Pacific cod season dates and state-waters guideline harvest levels by gear type.

| Pacific Cod Season<br>Opening Dates | Kodiak                                 |   | Chignik  |                 | South Alaska Peninsula   |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|-----------------|--|--|
|                                     | Pot                                    | Jig                                       | Pot  | Jig             | Pot  | Jig  |
| <b>Federal/Parallel A-Season</b>    | January 1                              | January 1                                 | January 1  | January 1       | January 1  | January 1                                  |
| <b>State-Waters GHL Season</b>      | 7 days after Federal CGOA pot A-Season | 48 hours after Federal CGOA jig A-Season* | March 1 or seven days after closure of CGOA pot A-Season, whichever is later | March 15        | March 7 or seven days after closure of WGOA pot A-Season, whichever is later | 48 hours after Federal WGOA jig A-Season** |
| <b>Federal/Parallel B-Season</b>    | September 1                            | June 10                                   | September 1  | June 10         | September 1  | June 10                                    |
| <b>State-Waters GHL Rollover</b>    | Following Federal CGOA pot B-Season    | Following Federal CGOA pot B-Season       | August 15  | August 15       | Following Federal WGOA pot B-Season  | Following Federal WGOA pot B-Season        |
| <b>State-Waters GHL</b>             | <b>16,898,432 (whole pounds)</b>       |   | <b>11,828,903 (whole pounds)</b>   |                 | <b>25,596,991 (whole pounds)</b>   |  |
| <b>GHL By Gear Type</b>             | 8,449,216 (50%)                        | 8,449,216 (50%)                           | 10,646,012 (90%)   | 1,182,890 (10%) | 21,757,443 (85%)   | 3,839,549 (15%)                            |

**Note:** CGOA = Federal Central Gulf of Alaska Management Area; WGOA = Federal Western Gulf of Alaska Management Area

\* If the CGOA federal/parallel A-season jig sector harvest allocation has not been achieved by March 15, the parallel (0–3 nmi) jig gear sector A-season may close and the Kodiak Area state-waters season for jig gear may open on March 15 or later depending on ADF&G’s ability to provide for orderly fisheries based on inseason assessment of effort, harvest rate, or remaining federal jig quota.

\*\* If the WGOA federal/parallel A-season jig sector harvest allocation has not been achieved by March 15, the parallel (0–3 nmi) jig gear sector A-season may close and the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters season for jig gear may open on March 15 or later depending on ADF&G’s ability to provide for orderly fisheries based on inseason assessment of effort, harvest rate, or remaining federal jig quota.

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