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

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ABSTRACT

This document provides an overview of the South Alaska Peninsula Area's 2015 state-waters Pacific cod *Gadus macrocephalus* season and summarizes regulations governing season opening weather delay, gear specifications, guideline harvest level (GHL), rollover provisions, maximum vessel length and registration requirements, legal gear, pot storage, landing requirements, and bycatch provisions. The 2015 South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season for pot gear is scheduled to open 7 days after closure of the Western Gulf of Alaska (WGOA) federal/parallel Pacific cod pot sector A-season or March 7, whichever is later. The 2015 South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season for jig gear is scheduled to open 48 hours after closure of the WGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear sector A-season; however, if the WGOA jig gear sector has not closed by March 15, the state-waters jig gear season may open pending assessment of federal jig effort, harvest rate, and remaining federal quota. Vessels participating in the state-waters Pacific cod season may not exceed 58 feet in length, and legal gear is limited to pot and jig gear. No more than 60 pots or 5 mechanical jigging machines may be operated from a vessel. The 2015 South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters season Pacific cod GHL is 25,596,991 pounds. Pot vessels are allocated 85 percent of the total GHL, or 21,757,443 pounds, and jig vessels are allocated 15 percent of the total GHL, or 3,839,549 pounds.

Key words: Pacific cod, *Gadus macrocephalus*, South Alaska Peninsula Area, regulations, guideline harvest level, state-waters season, parallel season

INTRODUCTION

AREA DESCRIPTION

The South Alaska Peninsula Area consists of all waters of Alaska (0–3 nmi), commonly referred to as state waters, in the Pacific Ocean between a line extending 135° southeast from Kupreanof Point (55° 33.98' N lat, 159° 35.88' W long) and 170° W long (Figures 1 and 2).

OVERVIEW

Two distinct Pacific cod *Gadus macrocephalus* fisheries occur within state waters of the South Alaska Peninsula Area. The first fishery is prosecuted concurrent to the federal Western Gulf of Alaska (WGOA) Pacific cod fishery and is referred to as the parallel fishery. The parallel fishery is managed by adopting most National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) rules and inseason management actions. The second Pacific cod fishery is the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters fishery. The state-waters Pacific cod fishery is independent of the federal/parallel Pacific cod fishery and is managed exclusively by Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) under guidelines developed by Alaska Board of Fisheries.

Parallel Season

When the federal (3–200 nmi) WGOA area is open to directed Pacific cod fishing, the State of Alaska opens a concurrent parallel Pacific cod season inside state waters (0–3 nmi). Unless specifically prohibited, the same gear types in the federal Pacific cod fishery are allowed during the parallel season although nonpelagic trawl vessels are prohibited from fishing inside most state waters in the South Alaska Peninsula Area (5 AAC 39.164(b)(3) *Nonpelagic trawl gear restrictions*).

With the exception of vessels using jig gear, all vessels that participate in a parallel fishery for Pacific cod, walleye pollock, or Atka mackerel must have an activated vessel monitoring system (5 AAC 28.087 (c)). Vessels targeting Pacific cod during the South Alaska Peninsula Area parallel fishery may not exceed 58 feet in overall length (5 AAC 28.577 (b)). Steller sea lion *Eumetopias jubatus* restrictions during the South Alaska Peninsula parallel fishery match federal

management measures (5 AAC 28.087) with the exception of the haulout on Caton Island for vessels using pot and jig gear (Appendix A).

All vessel operators or agents must obtain a parallel groundfish registration from ADF&G prior to fishing a parallel season. Vessel operators that fish exclusively in the South Alaska Peninsula Area 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. Vessel operators that possess a FFP and participate in the parallel fishery are responsible for understanding federal regulations (e.g., observer coverage and logbook requirements).

Pacific cod harvested during parallel fisheries is deducted from gear specific sector allocation. For additional information regarding federal Pacific cod fisheries contact NMFS (907-581-2062) or NMFS Enforcement (907-486-3298). For additional information regarding parallel Pacific cod fisheries contact ADF&G in Kodiak (907-486-1840; Appendix B1).

State-Waters Season

The South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery is an open access fishery and is prosecuted independent of the federal/parallel fishery. Information specific to the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery is outlined below.

STATE-WATERS PACIFIC COD REGULATIONS

OVERVIEW

Regulations pertaining to the South Alaska Peninsula Area Pacific cod fisheries begin on page 51 of the 2014–2015 Statewide Commercial Groundfish Fishing Regulations booklet¹. ADF&G manages the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season in accordance with the *South Alaska Peninsula Area Pacific Cod Management Plan* (5 AAC 28.577). Following is a summary of important regulations that govern the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season.

2015 GUIDELINE HARVEST LEVEL

The guideline harvest level (GHL) for the state-waters Pacific cod season is based on 30% of the WGOA Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) for Pacific cod. **The 2015 GHL for the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery is 25,596,991 pounds.** By regulation, 85% of the total GHL (21,757,443 pounds) is allocated to pot vessels and 15% of the total GHL (3,839,549 pounds) is allocated to jig vessels.

SEASON DATES, SEASON OPENING WEATHER DELAY, AND GHL ROLLOVER PROVISIONS

Pot Gear Season

The South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season for pot gear will open at noon March 7 or 7 days after closure of the WGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod pot gear sector A-season, whichever is later (Appendix D). The state-waters season for pot gear will close when 85% of the total South Alaska Peninsula Area Pacific cod GHL has been harvested by pot vessels. If the state-waters pot gear GHL allocation has not been fully harvested by August 28,

¹ ADF&G. 2014. 2014-2015 Statewide Commercial Groundfish fishing Regulations. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Juneau.

the state-waters pot gear season will close on August 28 to allow the WGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod pot gear sector B-season to open on September 1.

Jig Gear Season

The South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season for jig gear will open 48 hours after the WGOA federal/parallel jig gear sector A-season closes (Appendix D). However, if the federal/parallel jig sector has not closed by March 15, ADF&G may close the parallel (0–3 nmi) jig gear sector A-season and open the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season for jig gear based on inseason assessment of federal jig effort and harvest rate or remaining federal jig quota.

If the state-waters jig season opens prior to closure of the federal jig sector season, the South Alaska Peninsula state-waters jig season (0–3 nmi) will be prosecuted concurrent to the federal (3–200 nmi) WGOA jig sector Pacific cod season, and Pacific cod harvested from state-waters will be deducted from the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters jig gear GHL allocation. Pacific cod harvested from federal waters will be deducted from the WGOA jig gear sector A-season harvest allocation.

When the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters and WGOA federal Pacific cod seasons are open concurrently for the same gear, the following apply:

- Vessels may not simultaneously participate in a South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters season and any other concurrent Pacific cod season.
- Vessels registered for a state-waters season must invalidate their ADF&G South Alaska Peninsula 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 South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season.
- All Pacific cod must be delivered prior to validating or invalidating a South Alaska Peninsula Area 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 South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season for jig gear will close when 15% of the total South Alaska Peninsula Area Pacific cod GHL has been harvested by jig vessels. If the South Alaska Peninsula 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 jig effort, harvest rate, or remaining state-waters jig quota to allow the WGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear sector B-season to open on June 10. The state-waters season for jig gear will reopen after closure of the WGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod jig gear sector B-season if the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters jig gear GHL allocation has not been achieved.

Weather Delay

The state-waters season opening for pot and jig gear will be delayed 24 hours if the National Weather Service marine forecast for Area 155 (Castle Cape to Cape Sarichef) issued at 4:00 AM on the scheduled opening date contains gale warnings for that day and night or the following day and night. If, after the initial weather delay, the following day's 4:00 AM National Weather Service marine forecast contains gale warnings for that day and night or the following day and

night, the opening of the state-waters season will be delayed for an additional 24 hours. Weather delays may continue on a rolling 24-hour basis for 7 days beyond the initial opening date. After 7 days the season will open regardless of the weather forecast.

GHL Rollover Provisions

The South Alaska Peninsula Pacific cod management plan provides additional late season fishing opportunity when the GHL is not fully harvested. If GHL is available when the federal/parallel WGOA pot gear sector B-season closes, the state-waters Pacific cod season may reopen to both pot and jig gear. After October 30, gear limits, vessel size restrictions, and exclusive registration requirements may be removed to facilitate full harvest of the GHL. All regulatory actions regarding late season GHL rollover provisions will be announced by ADF&G news release.

VESSEL SIZE RESTRICTION AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Pacific cod may not be taken by vessels greater than 58 feet in overall length during the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season unless the vessel size restriction is removed by ADF&G and announced by news release on or after October 30.

All vessels, including tender vessels, must register with ADF&G prior to participating in the state-waters season. Vessel registration for the parallel fishery is not valid for the state-waters Pacific cod season; a separate state-waters Pacific cod registration is required.

The South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season is an exclusive registration area. Vessels registered for the 2015 South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season may not register for any other exclusive or superexclusive state-waters Pacific cod season but may register for a non-exclusive state-waters Pacific cod season during 2015. Conversely, a vessel registered for any other exclusive or superexclusive state-waters Pacific cod season outside of the South Alaska Peninsula may not participate in the 2015 South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season. A vessel registered for a non-exclusive state-waters Pacific cod season may register for the 2015 South Alaska Pacific cod season. The South Alaska Peninsula exclusive vessel registration does not apply to parallel Pacific cod fisheries.

Pacific cod registrations may be obtained in person or by fax at ADF&G offices in Kodiak and Dutch Harbor. Registrations may also be available at local processors in Sand Point and King Cove. Vessel operators must possess a 2015 Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC) interim use miscellaneous finfish permit card for the appropriate gear type prior to registration. CFEC and other fishery related contact information is in Appendix B.

LEGAL GEAR, GEAR LIMITS, AND BUOY TAGS

Pot, mechanical jigging machine and hand troll gear are the only legal 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 B).

During the state-waters season, groundfish pots of any size may be used to take Pacific cod, although groundfish pot gear individual tunnel eye openings must be 36 inches in perimeter or less. 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 laced, sewn, or secured together by a single length of untreated, 100% 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 ADF&G news release on or after October 30.

Buoy tags are required for pot gear when the 60 pot limit is in effect. Tags must be placed on the main buoy or trailer buoy. Buoy tags must be purchased for the 2015 season and will be available at ADF&G offices in Kodiak and Dutch Harbor for \$1.50 per tag. Tags may be mailed through the U.S. Postal Service if paid for prior to shipment. Buoy tags will also be available at local processors in Sand Point and King Cove prior to the season opening date. A valid 2015 miscellaneous finfish CFEC permit card for pot gear is required to receive tags. Contact ADF&G in Kodiak at 907-486-1840 for additional information on buoy tags.

If buoy tags are lost during the season, replacement tags may be obtained by contacting ADF&G in Kodiak or Dutch Harbor. The vessel owner, operator, or agent must complete and submit an affidavit form to ADF&G describing how the 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 to the pot.

Vessels using mechanical jigging machines are restricted to using no more than 5 mechanical jigging machines unless the jig limit has been rescinded by ADF&G on or after October 30. Each of the 5 permissible lines may have no more than 30 hooks. Vessels may operate both hand troll and mechanical jigging gear at the same time; however, separate CFEC cards and fish tickets are required for each gear type at the time of landing.

BUOY MARKING REQUIREMENTS

Buoys attached to groundfish pots must be marked with the permanent ADF&G vessel number that corresponds with the ADF&G vessel number operating that gear (5 AAC 28.050 and 5 AAC 28.570(e)). The buoy containing the 5-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

At the time of closure of a parallel or state-waters Pacific cod season, pots must be open and unbaited. Open and unbaited pots may be stored, at any depth for a maximum of seven days following the closure date. After 7 days following a closure, open and unbaited groundfish pots must be removed from the water or stored in waters 25 fathoms or less. Following closure of the state-waters season, vessel operators may not operate pot gear while Pacific cod is onboard (5 AAC 28.070 (c)(1)).

If the time period between closure of the WGOA federal/parallel Pacific cod pot gear sector A-season and the start of the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters pot gear season is more than 7 days, all open and unbaited pot gear inside state-waters (0–3 nmi) must be placed into legal storage (25 fathoms or less). However, during the 7 days immediately prior to the South Alaska Peninsula state-waters season opening, open and unbaited pot gear may be stored on the fishing grounds (greater than 25 fathoms). Contact NMFS Enforcement (Appendix B) regarding gear storage in federal waters.

LANDING REQUIREMENTS

Landing requirements are specified in 5 AAC 28.581 on page 57 in the groundfish regulations booklet. With 2 exceptions, vessels participating in the state-waters Pacific cod season are required to deliver their catch within 48 hours after a closure. Vessels may have Pacific cod onboard after the 48-hour period following a closure only when 1) cod were harvested as allowable bycatch in another directed fishery, or 2) the vessel is 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 NMFS maximum retainable bycatch percentages applicable in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ; 3–200 nmi) for species that are not actively managed by the State of Alaska. Retainable bycatch percentages are subject to change and may differ between species. Unless otherwise specified, maximum bycatch limit for any species of groundfish is 20% by weight of the targeted Pacific cod onboard a vessel. Notably, lingcod *Ophiodon elongates* and dark rockfish *Sebastes ciitatus* may be retained up to 20% by weight of retained Pacific cod and must be landed on the miscellaneous finfish card required to harvest Pacific cod. **During a state-waters or parallel Pacific cod fishery, octopus may be retained as bycatch up to 20% by weight of retained Pacific cod and must be landed on a miscellaneous finfish card** (5 AAC 38.417). Black rockfish *S. melanops* may be retained as bycatch up to 5% by weight of Pacific cod onboard a vessel. Jig vessels that are concurrently registered for the state-waters Pacific cod and the directed black rockfish fishery may retain black rockfish in excess of the 5% bycatch limit when the South Alaska Peninsula Area directed black rockfish fishery is open to commercial fishing. Updated retainable bycatch percentages can be found on the NMFS Alaska Region website: <http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/> or by contacting ADF&G in Kodiak (Appendix B1).

CONCURRENT GROUND FISH FISHERIES

Vessels may register to simultaneously participate in the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season and the federally managed walleye pollock fishery in waters between 170° W long and Castle Cape (158° 20' W long). Vessels actively participating in the South Alaska Peninsula state-waters Pacific cod fishery may leave baited pot gear on the fishing grounds while trawling for walleye pollock *Gadus chalcogramm* (5 AAC 28.556 (f)). However, those vessels must contact ADF&G staff in Kodiak prior to exiting or re-entering the South Alaska Peninsula state-waters Pacific cod fishery. Vessel operators are reminded that all state-waters Pacific cod delivery and gear storage requirements apply in the event the state-waters Pacific cod season closes while vessels are targeting walleye pollock. Vessels intending to participate in groundfish fisheries outside of waters between 170° W long and Castle Cape (158°20' W long) must first invalidate their South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod registration and legally store all pot gear.

CATCH REPORTING

ADF&G will manage the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod pot season using inseason catch reports (Appendix C) provided by vessel operators. By regulation, vessel operators using pot gear **must report daily** 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 service, phone, fax, or e-mail (mark.stichert@alaska.gov). **The Kodiak groundfish management office dispatch number is 7894.** Vessel operators will be asked for their preferred reporting method when registering and reporting worksheets will be issued at that time.

INSEASON ANNOUNCEMENTS

All inseason fishery management actions in the state-waters season will be 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 recorded information phone (907-486-4559), relayed through participating processors, and communicated to the fleet by dispatch. ADF&G will make every effort to provide sufficient time for permit holders to configure gear for storage or place gear onboard before a closure; however, the potential exists for a short advance notice closure.

Weekly harvest updates will be released each Monday after 4:00 PM 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=commercialbyareaakpeninsula.groundfish#/harvest> or from the ADF&G groundfish management office in Kodiak.

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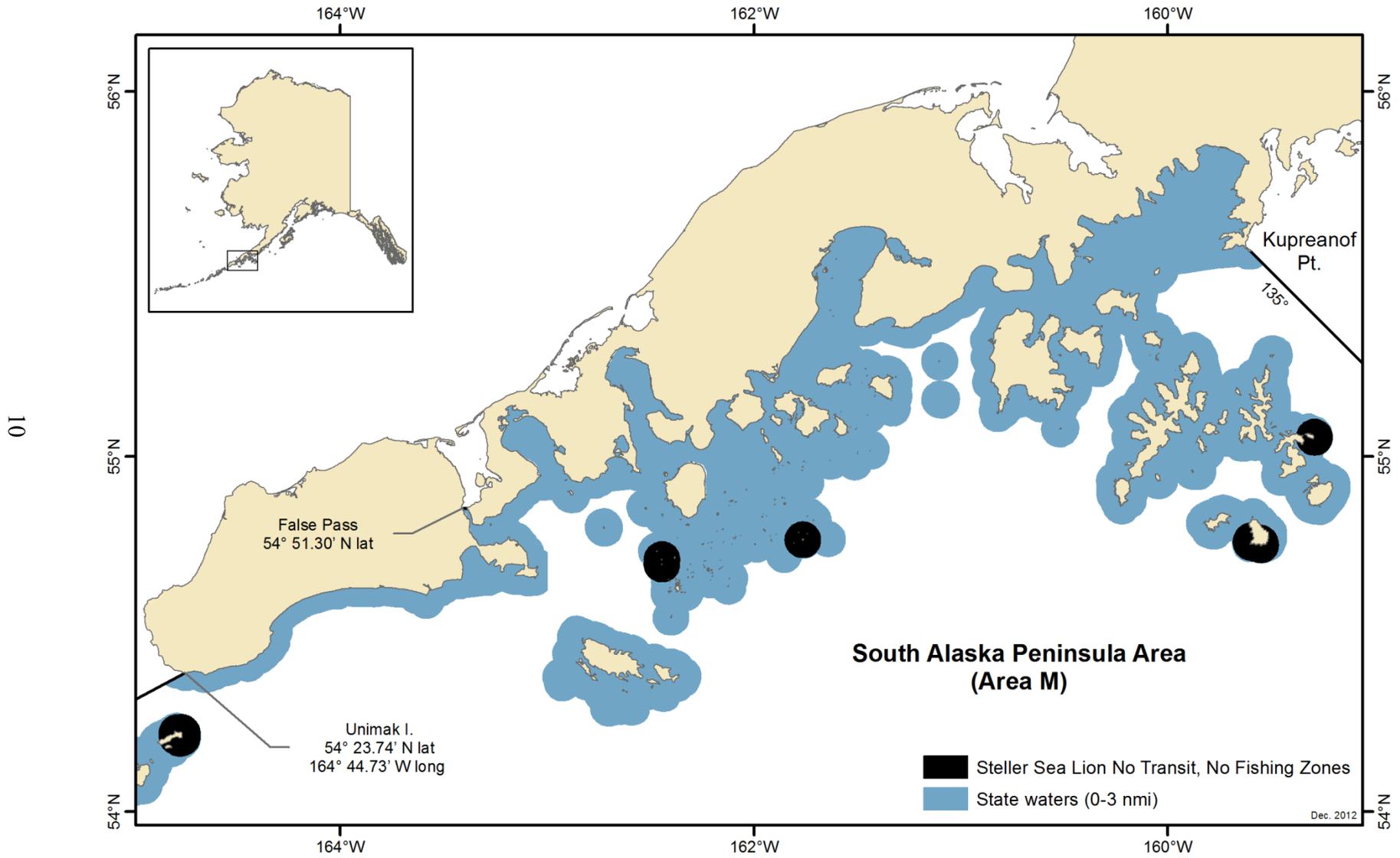


Figure 1.—South Alaska Peninsula Area boundaries from Kupreanof Point to Unimak Island, with Steller sea lion no transit and no fishing zones and depiction of state-waters.

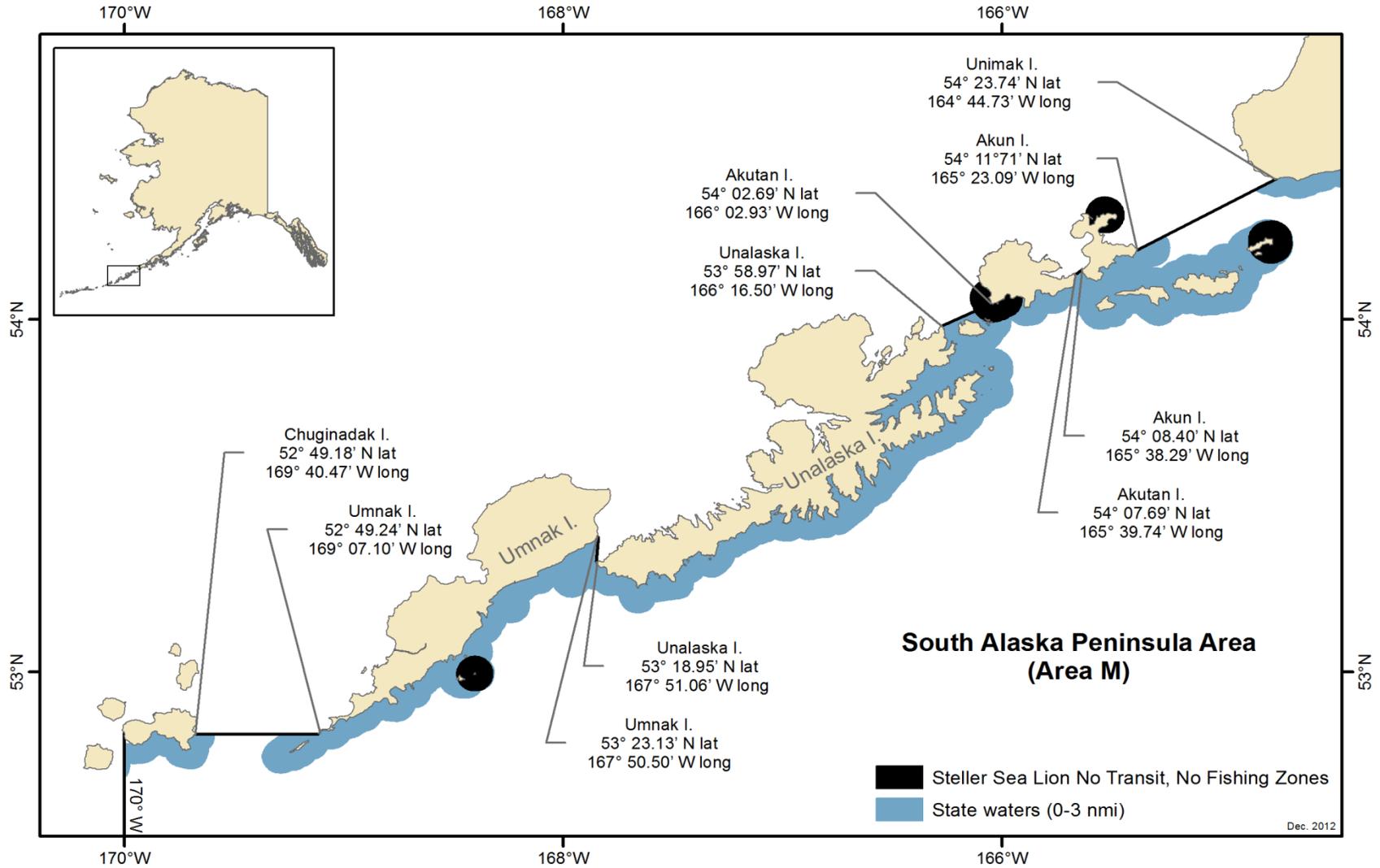
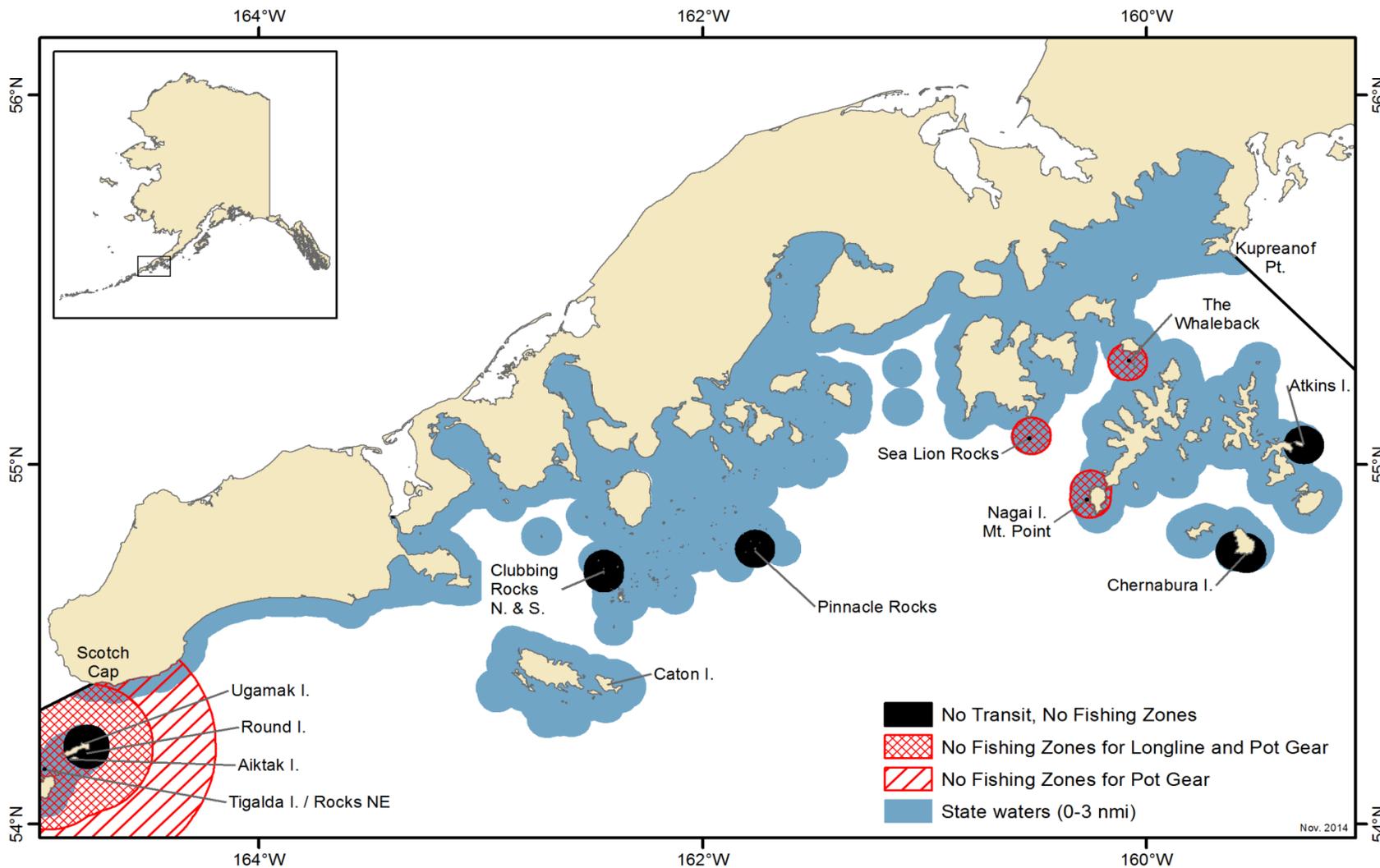


Figure 2.—South Alaska Peninsula Area boundaries from Unimak Island to 170° W long, with Steller sea lion no transit and no fishing zones and depiction of state-waters.

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STELLER SEA LION RESTRICTIONS DURING THE
PARALLEL SEASON**

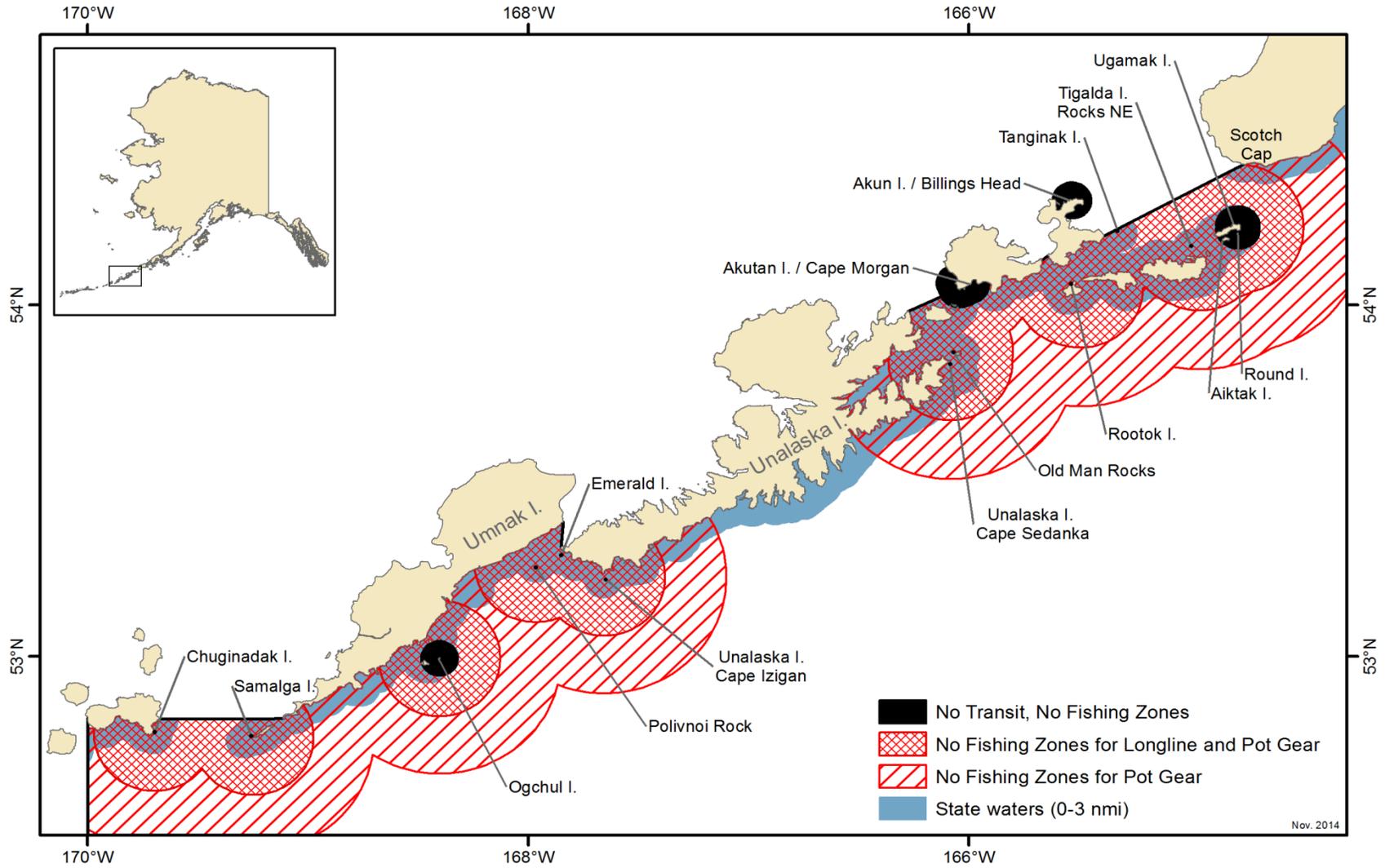
Appendix A1.—Steller sea lion restrictions for pot and longline gear during the parallel Pacific cod season in the South Alaska Peninsula Area, Kupreanof Point to Scotch Cap.

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Appendix A2.—Steller sea lion restrictions for pot and longline gear during the parallel Pacific cod season in the South Alaska Peninsula Area, Scotch Cap to 170° W long.

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**APPENDIX B. LIST OF FISHERY CONTACTS BY AREA
AND LOCATION**

Appendix B3.–List of fishery contacts, by agency and location.

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

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

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APPENDIX C. EXAMPLE OF REPORTING WORKSHEET

**APPENDIX D. SUMMARY OF KODIAK, CHIGNIK, AND
SOUTH ALASKA PENINSULA PARALLEL AND STATE-
WATERS PACIFIC COD SEASON DATES BY GEAR TYPE**

Appendix D1.–Summary of Kodiak, Chignik, and South Alaska Peninsula parallel and state-waters Pacific cod season dates and 2015 guideline harvest level by gear type.

Pacific Cod Season Opening Dates	Kodiak		Chignik		South Alaska Peninsula	
	Pot	Jig	Pot	Jig	Pot	Jig
Federal/Parallel A-Season	January 1	January 1	January 1	January 1	January 1	January 1
State-Waters GHL Season	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**
Federal/Parallel B-Season	September 1	June 10	September 1	June 10	September 1	June 10
State-Waters GHL Rollover	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
State-Waters GHL	16,898,432 (whole pounds)		11,828,903 (whole pounds)		25,596,991 (whole pounds)	
GHL By Gear Type	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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