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2019 EASTERN GULF OF ALASKA AREA LINGCOD ALLOCATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announced today the 2019 lingcod allocations for Southeast Alaska fisheries. 5 AAC 28.160(e) defines lingcod guideline harvest ranges (GHR) and 5 AAC 28.165 allocates the annual guideline harvest level (GHL) of each management area between the commercial directed lingcod fishery, commercial salmon troll, longline and groundfish jig bycatch fisheries, and sport fishery. The 2019 GHLs are unchanged from last season. Lingcod management areas include: Icy Bay Subdistrict (IBS), East Yakutat (EYKT) Section, Northern Southeast Outside (NSEO) Section, Central Southeast Outside (CSEO) Section, Southern Southeast Outer Coast (SSEOC) Sector, Northern Southeast Inside (NSEI) Subdistrict, and Southern Southeast Internal Waters (SSEIW) Sector (Figure 1).

| 2019 Lingcod Allocations (round pound) by Fishery and Management Area |
|--------------------|---------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Area               | IBS     | EYKT  | NSEO   | CSEO   | SSEOC  | NSEI  | SSEIW  |
| GHL                | 100,000 | 225,000 | 40,000 | 240,000 | 167,000 | 32,000 | 52,000 |
| Commercial directed fishery | 46,000 | 111,000 | 17,200 | 86,400 | 50,100 | 0     | 0      |
| Commercial longline bycatch | 12,670 | 94,000 | 10,800 | 55,200 | 28,390 | 9,600 | 2,080 |
| Commercial salmon troll bycatch | 8,000 | 16,000 | 3,200 | 16,800 | 3,340 | 6,400 | 2,080 |
| Commercial groundfish jig bycatch* | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9,600 | 11,690 | 0 | 0 |
| Sport fishery     | 33,330 | 4,000  | 8,800  | 72,000 | 73,480 | 16,000 | 47,840 |

*Groundfish jig bycatch fishery limited to mechanical jigging machines and hand troll gear.

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Figure 1. Southeast Alaska Lingcod Management Areas.

This map is for general reference only. For detailed descriptions of Lingcod Management Area boundaries, refer to 5AAC 28.105