



NMFS
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Alaska Enforcement Division

Semi-Annual Report to North Pacific Fisheries
Management Council
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Operational Highlights



Multi-agency observer focused Pulse Operation in early March in Dutch Harbor by OLE, CBP, Unalaska PD, AWT, and USCG.

Enforcement Officers partnered with the USCG onboard the cutters MELON and SHERMAN to conduct two at sea patrols totaling over three weeks.



An EO conducted a 10-day joint enforcement patrol in January onboard the Alaska Wildlife Trooper PV Stimson. Two Grand Jury subpoenas served, six vessels boarded, and a processing plant in Sand Point inspected

Multi-Agency Observer Operations

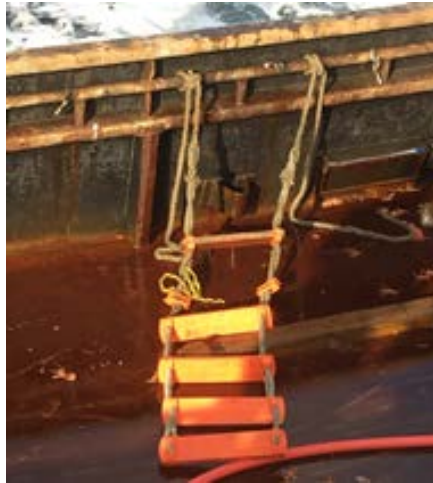
AKD conducted two observer focused patrols in March. The first took place in Dutch Harbor and Akutan assisted by the USCG, Unalaska Police Department, and CBP.

- 313 separate observer incidents, involving 98 different vessels.
- 153 incidents resolved through compliance assistance or enforcement action.
- 103 not addressed because vessel or individual not encountered during the operation.

Second observer patrol was with AWT aboard the P/V Stimson - 5 remote ports visited, 3 federal shoreside processors inspected, 24 vessels boarded, two of which were foreign vessels.



Joint OLE/USCG Patrols



8 Cutter Patrols

52 Sea Days

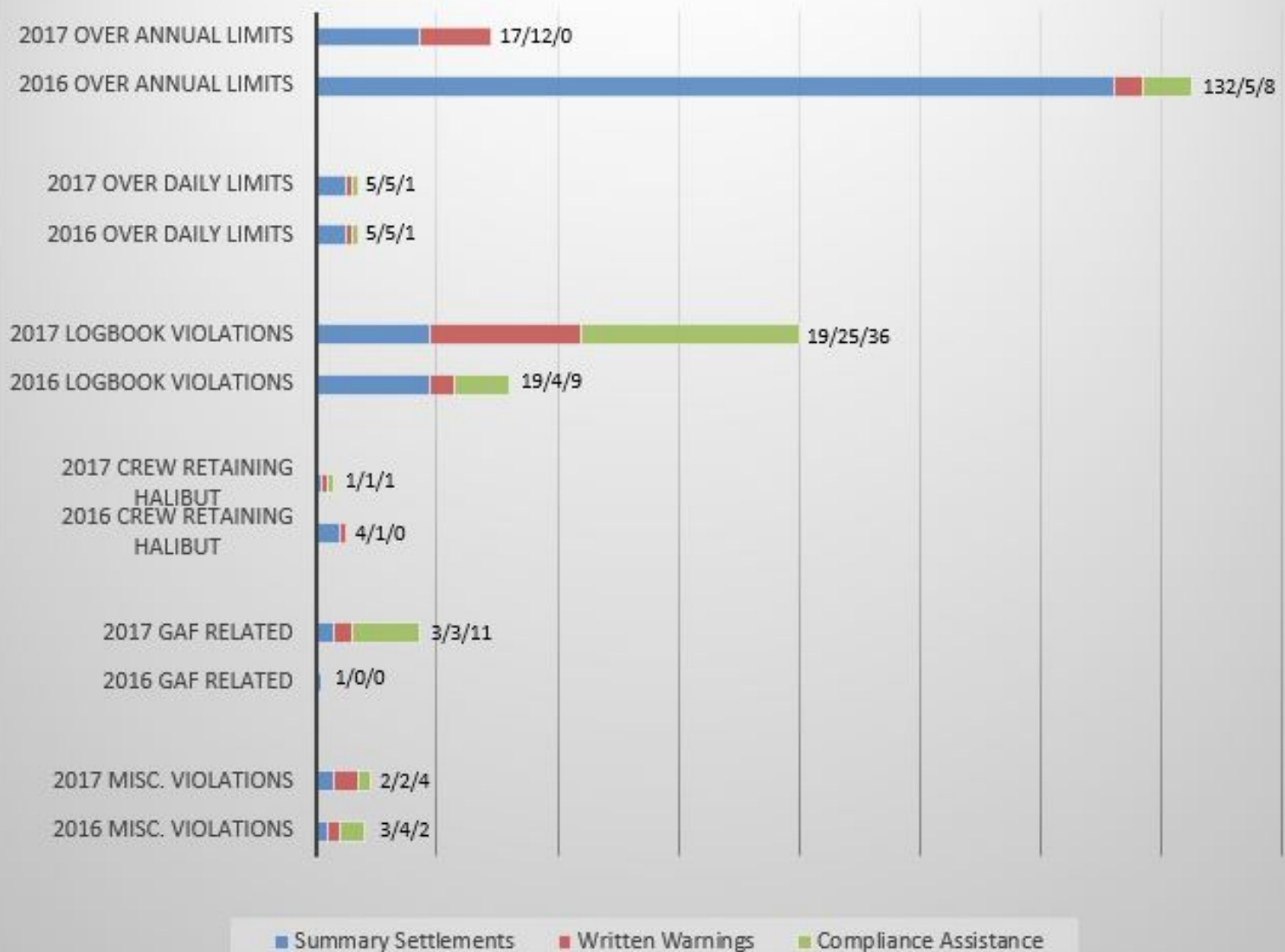


Joint Enforcement Agreement

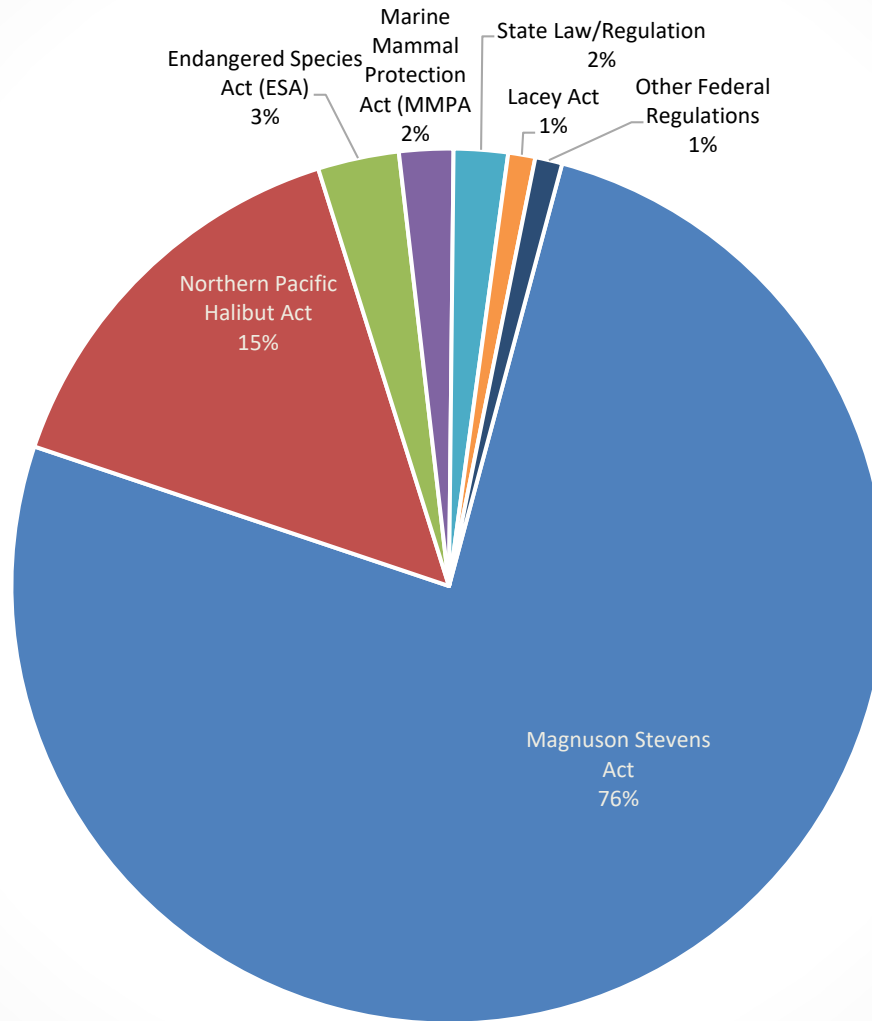


OLE completed three joint at-sea patrols with the Alaska Wildlife Troopers. Two patrols were conducted from the P/V Stimson along the AK Peninsula / Aleutian Islands and the other patrol was in Togiak

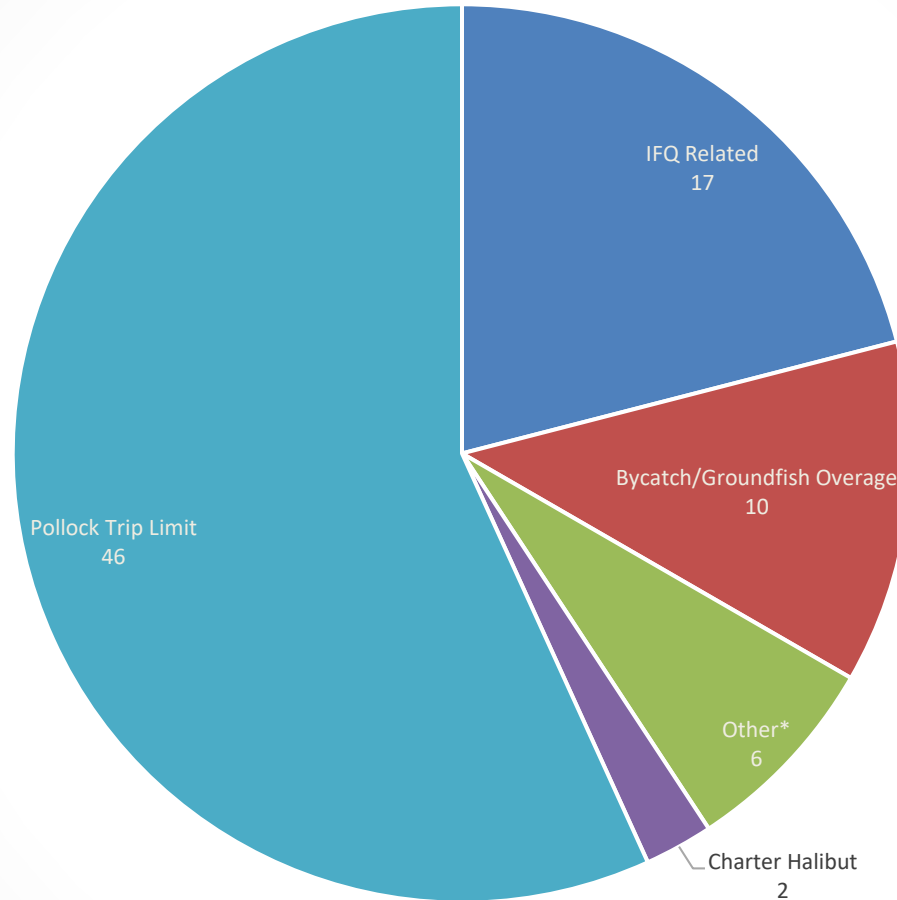
Charter Halibut Enforcement Actions CY 2016 v. 2017



Incidents by Law/Program/Regulation

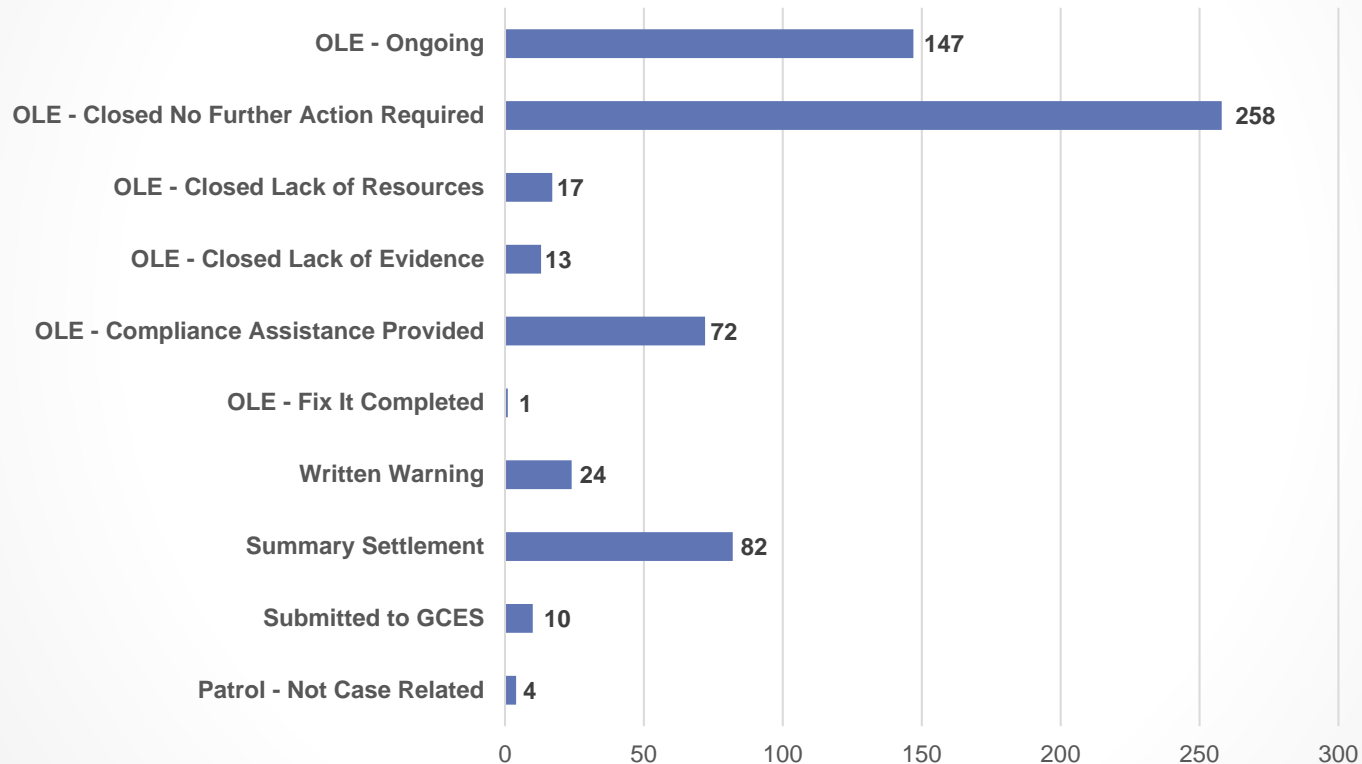


Summary Settlements



Other includes Recordkeeping, ODDS, Subsistence Halibut, FFP and Flow Scale violations

Incident Disposition for Incidents from 10/01/2017 - 03/31/2018



No Further Action Required includes outreach, training, contacts, and no violation complaints.

Observer Program

COMPLAINT TYPE	FULL COVERAGE		PARTIAL COVERAGE		TOTAL	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
OLE Priority						
Harassment - Assault	0	3	1	0	1	3
Harassment - Sexual	12	6	2	1	14	7
Interference/Sample Bias	30	28	14	3	44	31
Intimidation/Coercion/Hostile Work Environment	41	24	11	3	52	27
Disruptive/Bothersome Behavior - Conflict Resolved	31	20	8	1	39	21
Safety – NMFS	47	40	12	8	59	48
TOTAL OLE Priority	161	121	48	16	209	137

COMPLAINT TYPE	FULL COVERAGE		PARTIAL COVERAGE		TOTAL	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
Limited Access Programs						
AFA	21	25	N/A	N/A	21	25
Amendment 80	70	80	N/A	N/A	70	80
Catcher Processor Longline	47	29	N/A	N/A	47	29
Rockfish Program	3	1	N/A	N/A	3	1
IFQ Retention	6	1	32	16	38	17
Total Limited Access Programs	147	136	32	16	179	152
Protected Resources and Prohibited Species						
Gulf of Alaska Salmon Bycatch	N/A	N/A	47	50	47	50
Bering Sea Pollock Salmon Bycatch	100	79	N/A	N/A	100	79
Marine Mammal	0	3	1	1	1	4
Seabird (majority is gear related)	14	1	22	14	36	15
Prohibited Species – Mishandling and Retention	80	73	19	21	99	94
Total Protected Resources and Prohibited Species	194	156	89	86	283	242

COMPLAINT TYPE	FULL COVERAGE		PARTIAL COVERAGE		TOTAL	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
All Other Complaint Types						
Contractor Problems	7	7	N/A	N/A	7	7
Failure to Notify	50	59	20	16	70	75
Inadequate Accommodations	11	6	2	2	13	8
IR/IU	19	47	41	23	60	70
Miscellaneous Violations	10	6	10	5	20	11
Reasonable Assistance	32	36	20	9	52	45
Record Keeping and Reporting	156	122	327	198	483	320
Restrict Access	2	3	1	1	3	4
Observer Coverage	N/A	N/A	88	242	88	242
Total All Other Complaint Types	287	286	509	496	796	782
GRAND TOTAL	789	702	678	614	1467	1316

Community Outreach and Education

Date	Location	Description
Monthly	Seattle, WA	Observer Training
Nov 2017	Sitka, AK	Sitka Whale Fest
Nov 2017	Seattle, WA	Pacific Marine Expo
Dec 2017	Anchorage, AK	Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson
Dec 1017	Juneau, AK	Shop with a Cop
Jan 2018	Anchorage, AK	Cook Inlet/Kodiak Unusual Mortality Event Response Planning Workshop
Jan 2018	Kodiak, AK	Kodiak Trawlers Pre-Season Meeting
Jan 2018	Anchorage, AK	Alaska Marine Science Symposium
Feb 2018	Anchorage, AK	Anchorage Boat Show
Mar 2018	Kodiak	COMFish
Mar 2018	Juneau	Juneau Yacht Club
Apr 2018	Anchorage	Great Alaskan Sportsman Show
May 2018	Sitka, AK	ADF&G Charter Mtg



Kingfisher and Cape Elizabeth



Natoma Bay & Sitkoh Bay



Questions?

