

Changes made to the IFQ Program Review after Council review

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1) Exec Summary

- The titles for Figures ES8 and ES9 were changed to reflect that this represents total harvest and not just catcher vessel harvest.
- We note the data limitations for counting processors (for the entry/exit numbers) in the ES and provided a qualifying sentence to note that the margins we are estimating are not processor profit margins because we do not have cost information.
- We revised the description of the indices of community level engagement in IFQ fisheries to more clearly define the term “engagement” as it relates to multiple aspects of fisheries activity. This was requested by the SSC.

2) Section 2.4.2 (Processor Impacts)

2.4.2.1

- The second paragraph in this section is new and presents the limitations of this data with respect to tracking processor entry and exit.

2.4.2.3

- The following is in response to PSPA's comments:
 - We changed the axes labels for Figures 2.4-12 and 2.4-13 to reflect that these margins are the percent of the wholesale price retained by the processor.
 - Same section, page 179, now includes some qualifying text about these margins representing the share of the wholesale price retained by the processor and not profit margins because we don't have cost data. Also, we added that these margins would change with changes in the wholesale price even if the absolute margins (difference between wholesale and ex-vessel price) stayed the same.

3) Section 2.7 (Community Impacts)

- First paragraph under 2.7.1 is new, providing more information on tax revenues that communities receive from fish landings. The last paragraph in Section 2.7.1 is also new providing information on how changes in landings following IFQ would have impacted these tax revenues.
- Maps of QS holdings in 1994 and 2015 (appendix to Section 2.7)

4) Section 2.8 (Fishing Vessel Safety)

- Added NIOSH's bullet points and removed any reference to how this section is eligible for revision.

5) Section 3.2 (Data/Info Gaps)

- Last sentence under VMS data discusses utilizing VMS data to gather information about effort/trip length.
- There's also a new bullet for Processing Employment under this section, a gap that was identified by the SSC. The information about the kind of processing employment data that is available is based on information provided by AFSC and AKFIN.

6) Section 2.7A (AFSC Community Indices)

- We revised the description of the indices of community level engagement in IFQ fisheries to more clearly define the term “engagement” as it relates to multiple aspects of fisheries activity. This was requested by the SSC.

Separate documents that will be merged into the final document

7) Section 3.1.3 (Benefits and Limitations of Consolidation Limits)

- The Council requested this new section summarizing the benefits and limitations of consolidation limits.

8) Section 2.5.2 (Hired Master Use)

- Correction made to Table 2.5-11, percent of hired master use in Area 4B, 4C, and 4D.