

Council motion for the final GOA 2018 and 2019 harvest specifications

Item C5 Groundfish Harvest Specifications -- Gulf of Alaska Groundfish

The Council recommends approving the 2017 GOA SAFE report.

The Council recommends the final 2018 and 2019 Gulf of Alaska groundfish specifications for OFLs and ABCs as recommended by the SSC, and the TACs as recommended by the AP, as shown in the **attached table**.

The only change to the AP's TAC recommendations are for the Central GOA arrowtooth flounder TAC limit, which is reduced to 48,000 metric tons for both 2018 and 2019.

The TACs for both Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod and pollock have been adjusted to account for the State water Guideline Harvest Level fisheries. The GOA Pacific cod and pollock adjustments are shown in **attachment C5c** to the action memo.

The Council recommends setting the final 2018 and 2019 Pacific halibut PSC limits, allowances, and apportionments in the GOA in **Tables C5d** in the action memo.

Finally, the Council recommends the updated halibut DMRs for 2018 and 2019 as shown in action memo **item C5e**.

Council recommended TACs and SSC recommended OFLs and ABCs for Groundfish in the Gulf of Alaska for 2018 and 2019
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Species	Area	2017				2018			2019		
		OFL	ABC	TAC	Catch	OFL	ABC	TAC	OFL	ABC	TAC
Pollock	State GHL		5,094	0	-		4,037	0		2,664	0
	W(61)		43,602	43,602	49,878		30,188	30,188		19,921	19,921
	C(62)		98,652	98,652	81,565		79,495	79,495		52,459	52,459
	C(63)		48,929	48,929	52,760		40,939	40,939		27,016	27,016
	WYAK		7,492	7,492	40		6,833	6,833		4,509	4,509
	Subtotal	235,807	203,769	198,675	184,243	187,059	161,492	157,455	131,170	106,568	103,904
	EYAK/SEO	13,226	9,920	9,920	-	11,697	8,773	8,773	11,697	8,773	8,773
	Total	249,033	213,689	208,595	184,243	198,756	170,265	166,228	142,867	115,341	112,677
Pacific Cod	W		36,291	25,404	17,239		8,082	5,657		7,633	5,343
	C		44,180	33,135	15,823		8,118	6,089		7,667	5,750
	E		7,871	5,903	53		1,800	1,350		1,700	1,275
	Total	105,378	88,342	64,442	33,115	23,565	18,000	13,096	21,412	17,000	12,368
Sablefish	W		1,349	1,349	1,166		1,544	1,544		2,174	2,174
	C		4,514	4,514	4,767		5,158	5,158		7,260	7,260
	WYAK		1,605	1,605	1,667		1,829	1,829		2,573	2,573
	SEO		2,606	2,606	2,786		2,974	2,974		4,187	4,187
	Total	11,885	10,074	10,074	10,386	22,703	11,505	11,505	35,989	16,194	16,194
Shallow Water Flatfish	W		20,921	13,250	270		25,206	13,250		25,544	13,250
	C		19,306	19,306	2,211		25,315	25,315		25,655	25,655
	WYAK		3,188	3,188	-		2,242	2,242		2,272	2,272
	EYAK/SEO		1,099	1,099	-		1,925	1,925		1,951	1,951
	Total	54,583	44,514	36,843	2,481	67,240	54,688	42,732	68,114	55,422	43,128
Deep Water Flatfish	W		256	256	20		413	413		416	416
	C		3,454	3,454	211		3,400	3,400		3,442	3,442
	WYAK		3,017	3,017	8		3,239	3,239		3,279	3,279
	EYAK/SEO		2,565	2,565	2		2,332	2,332		2,361	2,361
	Total	11,182	9,292	9,292	241	11,294	9,385	9,384	11,431	9,499	9,499
Rex Sole	W		1,459	1,459	48		3,086	3,086		2,909	2,909
	C		4,930	4,930	1,360		8,739	8,739		8,236	8,236
	WYAK		850	850	2		1,737	1,737		1,657	1,657
	EYAK/SEO		1072	1072	-		1,811	1,811		1,727	1,727
	Total	10,860	8,311	8,311	1,410	18,706	15,373	15,373	17,692	14,529	14,529
Arrowtooth Flounder	W		28,100	14,500	269		37,253	14,500		35,844	14,500
	C		107,934	75,000	25,692		73,480	48,000		70,700	48,000
	WYAK		37,405	6,900	32		16,468	6,900		15,845	6,900
	EYAK/SEO		12,654	6,900	14		23,744	6,900		22,845	6,900
	Total	219,327	186,093	103,300	26,007	180,697	150,945	76,300	173,872	145,234	76,300
Flathead Sole	W		11,098	8,650	73		12,690	8,650		13,222	8,650
	C		20,339	15,400	1,802		20,238	15,400		21,087	15,400
	WYAK		2,949	2,949	-		1,932	1,932		2,013	2,013
	EYAK/SEO		857	857	-		406	406		424	424
	Total	43,128	35,243	27,856	1,875	43,011	35,266	26,388	44,822	36,746	26,487

Note for page 2, Northern Rockfish: The 4 t (2018) and 3 t (2019) of EGOA northern rockfish is excluded from that stock's total as it is managed as part of the EGOA "other rockfish" category.

Council recommended TACs and SSC recommended OFLs and ABCs for Groundfish in the Gulf of Alaska for 2018 and 2019
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Species	Area	2017				2018			2019		
		OFL	ABC	TAC	Catch	OFL	ABC	TAC	OFL	ABC	TAC
Pacific Ocean Perch	W		2,679	2,679	2,686		3,312	3,312		3,240	3,240
	C		16,671	16,671	17,476		20,112	20,112		19,678	19,678
	WYAK		2,786	2,786	2,757		3,371	3,371		3,298	3,298
	W/C/WYAK	25,753	22,136	22,136	22,919	31,860	26,795	26,795	31,170	26,216	26,216
	SEO	2,073	1,782	1,782	-	2,902	2,441	2,441	2,840	2,389	2,389
	Total	27,826	23,918	23,918	22,919	34,762	29,236	29,236	34,010	28,605	28,605
Northern Rockfish	W		432	432	232		420	420		382	382
	C		3,354	3,354	1,547		3,261	3,261		2,965	2,965
	E		4	0	-		4	0		3	0
	Total	4,522	3,790	3,786	1,779	4,380	3,685	3,681	3,984	3,350	3,347
Shortraker Rockfish	W		38	38	43		44	44		44	44
	C		301	301	229		305	305		305	305
	E		947	947	275		515	515		515	515
	Total	1,715	1,286	1,286	547	1,151	863	864	1,151	863	864
Dusky Rockfish	W		158	158	123		146	146		135	135
	C		3,786	3,786	2,437		3,502	3,502		3,246	3,246
	WYAK		251	251	22		232	232		215	215
	EYAK/SEO		83	83	5		77	77		72	72
	Total	5,233	4,278	4,278	2,587	4,841	3,957	3,957	4,488	3,668	3,668
Rougheye and Blackspotted Rockfish	W		105	105	34		176	176		174	174
	C		706	706	328		556	556		550	550
	E		516	516	174		712	712		703	703
	Total	1,594	1,327	1,327	536	1,735	1,444	1,444	1,715	1,427	1,427
Demersal Shelf Rockfish	GOA-wide	357	227	227	124	394	250	250	394	250	250
Thornyhead Rockfish	W		291	291	151		344	344		344	344
	C		988	988	612		921	921		921	921
	E		682	682	249		773	773		773	773
	Total	2,615	1,961	1,961	1,012	2,717	2,038	2,038	2,717	2,038	2,038
Other Rockfish	WC		1,534	1,534	986		1,737	1,737		1,737	1,737
	WYAK		574	574	42		368	368		368	368
	EYAK/SEO		3,665	200	31		3,489	200		3,488	200
	Total	7,424	5,773	2,308	1,059	7,356	5,594	2,305	7,356	5,593	2,305
Atka Mackerel	GOA-wide	6,200	4,700	3,000	1,048	6,200	4,700	3,000	6,200	4,700	3,000
Big Skate	W		908	908	163		504	504		504	504
	C		1,850	1,850	1,298		1,774	1,774		1,774	1,774
	E		1,056	1,056	104		570	570		570	570
	Total	5,086	3,814	3,814	1,565	3,797	2,848	2,848	3,797	2,848	2,848
Longnose Skate	W		61	61	167		149	149		149	149
	C		2,513	2,513	685		2,804	2,804		2,804	2,804
	E		632	632	267		619	619		619	619
	Total	4,274	3,206	3,206	1,119	4,763	3,572	3,572	4,763	3,572	3,572
Other Skates	GOA-wide	2,558	1,919	1,919	1,472	1,845	1,384	1,384	1,845	1,384	1,384
Sculpins	GOA-wide	7,338	5,591	5,591	1,284	6,958	5,301	5,301	6,958	5,301	5,301
Sharks	GOA-wide	6,020	4,514	4,514	1,505	6,020	4,514	4,514	6,020	4,514	4,514
Squids	GOA-wide	1,516	1,137	1,137	44	1,516	1,137	1,137	1,516	1,137	1,137
Octopuses	GOA-wide	6,504	4,878	4,878	180	1,300	975	975	1,300	975	975
TOTAL		796,158	667,877	535,863	298,538	655,707	536,921	427,512	604,413	480,187	376,417