



Agenda Item: B-3

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME****REPORT TO THE NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

June 6, 1994

Fisheries managed under delegated authority of the State of Alaska since the last council meeting include crab, salmon and demersal rockfish.

BERING SEA KING AND TANNER CRAB FISHERIES: Since the last report in April, the Adak brown king crab fishery is the only fishery open under the BSAI FMP. To date 2.0 million pounds of brown king crab have been landed by 19 vessels. This fishery is expected to continue until closed by regulation on August 15.

SALMON TROLL FISHERY: The winter chinook troll season closed on April 14, the regulatory closing date, with a total catch of 55,400 with catches of Alaska hatchery fisher low. The department is currently conducting experimental fisheries throughout Southeast Alaska several times a week.

SOUTHEAST ALASKA DEMERSAL SHELF ROCKFISH FISHERY: Most directed demersal shelf rockfish fisheries in Southeast Alaska were closed during the months of April and May. The directed fishery will open at 8:00 AM June 15, and will close at 8:00 PM June 17. Approximately 30 vessels are expected to participate in the directed fishery. Region 1 DSR catches totalled 22 mt through May. Lingcod was closed inside the three mile limit until May 1 to protect nest-guarding males. Catches of lingcod through May 31 totalled 45.5 mt, and Pacific Cod totalled 4.3 mt.