

# 17<sup>th</sup> COAST GUARD DISTRICT ENFORCEMENT REPORT



**October - November 2015**

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### **List of Abbreviations**

|  |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| CFVS – Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety    | HSDN – High Seas Drift Net           |
| FBS - Russian Federal Border Service       | MBL – US/Russian Maritime Boundary   |
| FF/V – Foreign Fishing Vessel              | NPSC – North Pacific SAR Coordinator |
| GOA – Gulf of Alaska                       | SAR – Search and Rescue              |
| HC-130 – USCG Fixed-Wing Aircraft          | UMIB –Urgent Marine Info Broadcast   |
| HEC/MEC – High/Medium Endurance Cutters    | WLB – 225ft Buoy Tender              |
| HH65/60 – CG helicopter                    | WPB – 110ft Patrol Boat              |
| MARB – Marine Assistance Request Broadcast | POB – Persons on board               |
| CGC – Coast Guard Cutter                   | IVO – In the vicinity of             |
| SMC – SAR Mission Coordinator              | MEDEVAC – Medical Evacuation         |
| NVG – Night Vision Goggles                 | AVDET – Aviation Detachment          |
| FOL – Forward Operating Location           |                                      |

### I. High Seas Drift Net (HSDN) Enforcement

There was no HSDN enforcement activity conducted over the reporting period.

### II. U.S./Russian Maritime Boundary Line (MBL) Enforcement

Activity along the MBL was low over the reporting period with an average of 04 foreign fishing vessels operating within 20 miles of the MBL during October – November 2015. CGC WAESCHE patrolled the MBL sighting 07 foreign fishing vessels.

### III. U.S./Canadian EEZ Boundary Enforcement

There was one patrol of the Dixon Entrance U.S./Canada EEZ boundary by CGC CHANDELEUR. No incursions were detected. CGC WAESCHE conducted a patrol of the Beaufort Sea U.S./Canada EEZ boundary in October and no vessels were detected.

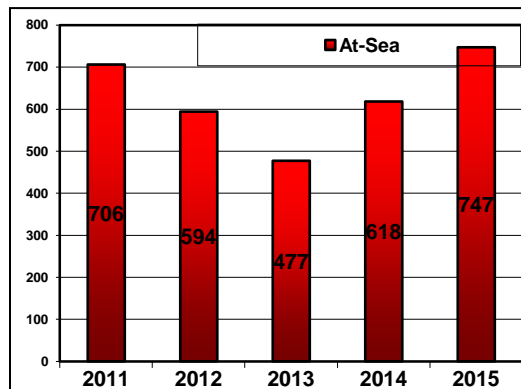
### IV. Steller Sea Lions (SSL) and Critical Habitat Enforcement

The Coast Guard monitors more than 151 critical habitat areas around Alaska each month as part of routine cutter and aircraft patrol activity. No violations of SSL critical habitat were detected during the reporting period.

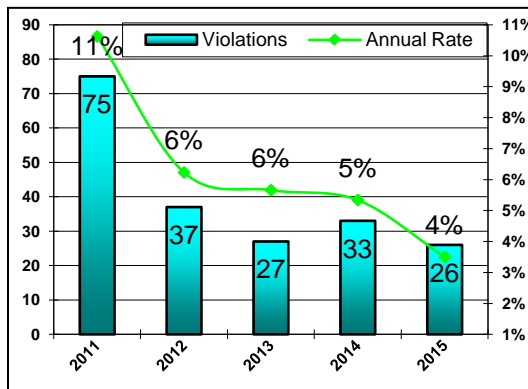
### V. Fishing Vessel Boarding Statistics

There were 75 domestic fisheries and fishing vessel safety boardings conducted by the U.S. Coast Guard during the reporting period. These boardings detected a total of 38 safety violations onboard 22 vessels and 03 federal fisheries violations onboard 02 vessels. Figures 1 and 2 show the historic trends for boardings and violations.

**Figure 1. Fisheries Boardings By Year**



**Figure 2. Fisheries Violations by Year**



**Oct – Nov 2014 Boardings**

F/V Boardings (at sea): .....76  
Boardings w/fisheries violations: .....3  
Violation Rate: .....3.9%

**Oct – Nov 2015 Boardings**

F/V Boardings (at sea): .....75  
Boardings w/fisheries violations: .....3  
Violation Rate: .....4.0%

**VI. Halibut and Sablefish Enforcement**

Coast Guard patrols completed 11 boardings on fishing vessels targeting halibut and sablefish during the reporting period. There were 08 boardings of IFQ halibut vessels, detecting two fisheries violations on one vessel. There were six safety violations detected on one vessel, which received a voyage termination for significant safety violations. There were three boardings of IFQ sablefish vessels, detecting no fisheries violations nor safety violations.

There were no boardings on charter vessels targeting halibut. There were five boardings on recreational vessels targeting halibut, detecting no fisheries violations and two safety violations on two vessels. No voyages were terminated for significant safety concerns.

**VII. Crab Fisheries**

The Coast Guard conducted commercial vessel safety enforcement activities involving the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands crab fisheries following the 15 October 2015 opening of the Bering Sea crab fisheries.

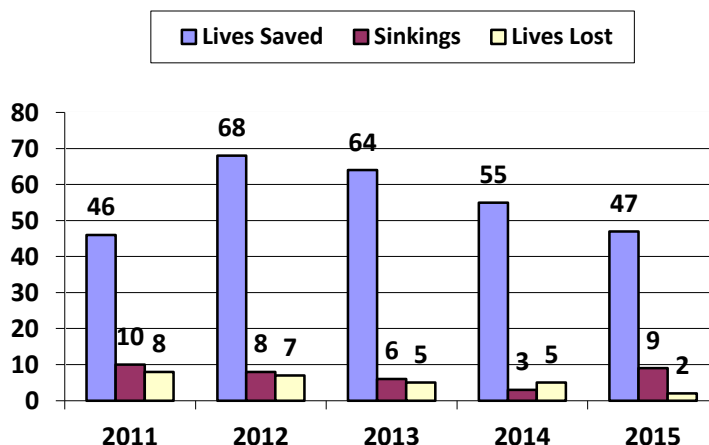
Air Station Kodiak deployed an MH-60 to Cold Bay for the 15 October 2015 Bering Sea crab season opening. The MH-60 remained in Cold Bay through 19 November and will return on 15 January as activity increases in the BSAI crab fisheries and trawl fisheries.

**VIII. Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety/Search and Rescue Cases**

During the reporting period, 38 safety violations were detected on 23 vessels. There were five voyage terminations during the reporting period for especially hazardous conditions onboard. A comprehensive list of violations can be found in Appendix C.

There were 10 search and rescue (SAR) cases involving fishing vessels in U.S. waters, resulting in eight lives saved, one life lost, and one vessel sinking. Appendix A provides a comprehensive list of SAR and significant marine casualty cases involving fishing vessels over the reporting period.

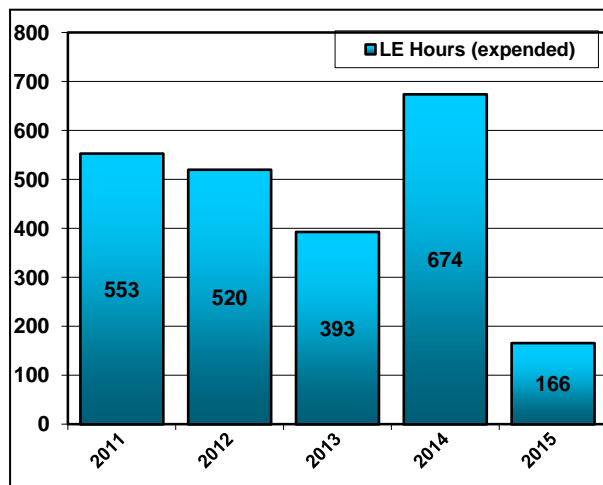
**Figure 3. Historical Overview of CFVS Statistics**  
**Safety Statistics by Year**



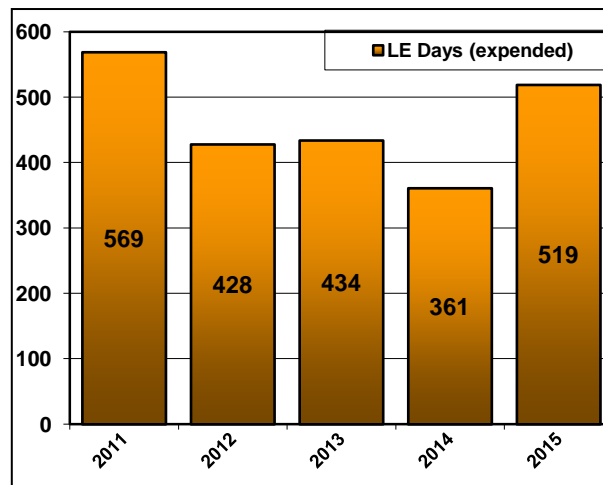
**IX. Coast Guard Resource Summary**

Figures 4 and 5 show the *annual* HC-130 aircraft law enforcement hours and Medium and High Endurance Cutter days used in the Seventeenth District for domestic and international fisheries enforcement activities. Figures 6 and 7 show the same information over the last three years for the *reporting period only*.

**Figure 4. Annual HC-130 Hours**



**Figure 5. Annual Major Cutter Days**



**Oct – Nov 2014**

1 WHECs patrolled.....61 days  
 0 WMECs patrolled ..... 0 days  
 0 WLBs patrolled..... 0 days  
 6 WPBs patrolled..... 62 days  
**Total Cutter patrol..... 123 days**

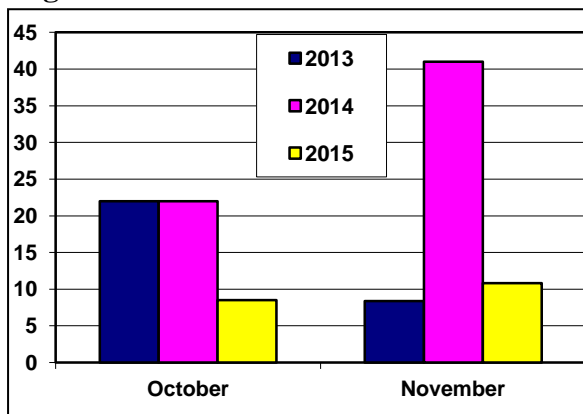
HC-130s flew ..... 63 hours  
 HH-60/65s flew..... 113 hours

**Oct - Nov 2015**

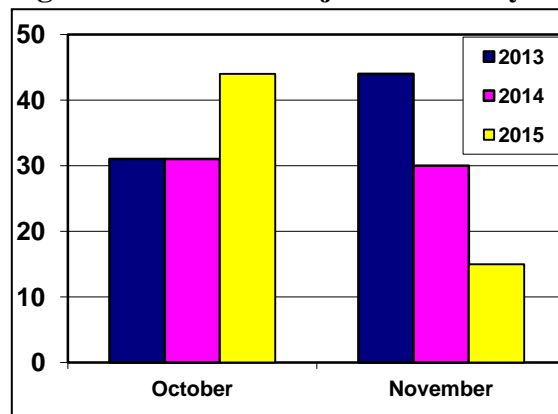
3 WHECs patrolled.....79 days  
 1 WMEC patrolled.....15 days  
 1 WLB patrolled .....2 days  
 7 WPBs patrolled.....74 days  
**Total Cutter patrol.....170 days**

HC-130s flew .....19 hours  
 HH-60/65s flew.....149 hours

**Figure 6. Oct – Nov HC-130 Hours**



**Figure 7. Oct– Nov Major Cutter Days**



**Appendix A**  
October – November 2015  
Search and Rescue Cases

| Date     | Vessel        | Case Specifics   |
|----------|---------------|--|
| 9/18/15  | STIRLING      | Sector Juneau received distress call from F/V STIRLING disabled in Dundas Bay. CGC ALEX HALEY diverted to assist, arrived on scene, and aided repairs to regain power for the vessel generator. ALEX HALEY escorted the vessel to Hoonah.  |
| 9/26/15  | TRES AMIGOS   | Station Ketchikan responded to a crewmember aboard F/V TRES AMIGOS who fell overboard while cleaning fish on the stern. Station Ketchikan brought the crewmember out of the water and administered first aid at the scene. No further Coast Guard assistance was requested.  |
| 9/30/15  | BLACKHAWK     | Sector Anchorage received distress call from F/V BLACKHAWK disabled near Montague Island and drifting towards rocks. Sector launched Station Valdez and CG-6038 to respond. BLACKHAWK ran aground and was unable to be refloated. CG-6038 evacuated the operator and proceeded to Cordova.   |
| 10/3/15  | HARVEST       | Sector Juneau received a report of distress involving the F/V HARVEST. Sector issued UMIB and diverted Station Juneau. CGR-45671 arrived on scene and confirmed crew was not in distress. Master stated SPOT device may have accidentally activated. No further Coast Guard assistance requested.  |
| 10/4/15  | SEA FISHER    | D17 Command Center received report of F/V SEA FISHER disabled northeast of the Islands of Four Mountains. D17 diverted MUNRO to escort until a tow could be arranged. F/V BRISTOL EXPLORER responded to tow SEAFISHER to Dutch Harbor. No further Coast Guard assistance requested.  |
| 10/5/15  | SHAMROCK II   | Sector Juneau received request for assistance from F/V SHAMROCK II. Sector issued MARB and launched Station Ketchikan to respond. CGR-45764 arrived on scene and towed SHAMROCK II, with two people on board, to Ketchikan.  |
| 10/12/15 | MOMO & MADDIE | Sector Anchorage received report of an unresponsive diver on F/V MOMO & MADDIE. The vessel subsequently lost steering and ran aground. Sector launched CG-6037 to respond and issued UMIB. CG-6037 arrived on scene and transported patient to local EMS where patient was pronounced deceased. F/V MAR DEL NORTE towed MOMO & MADDIE to Old Harbor, Kodiak. |
| 10/22/15 | INVESTOR      | Sector Anchorage received request for assistance from F/V INVESTOR disabled and adrift. CGC SYCAMORE diverted to tow INVESTOR to anchorage. SYCAMORE completed tow and safely brought the four people on board to safe haven.  |

*Appendix A*  
October – November 2015  
Search and Rescue Cases

| Date     | Vessel       | Case Specifics   |
|----------|--------------|--|
| 10/29/15 | GLACIER BAY  | D17 Command Center received a MEDEVAC request for crewmember on board F/V GLACIER BAY. Case evaluated and SMC recommended vessel transport patient for medical evaluation at next port of call. No further Coast Guard assistance requested.                     |
| 11/03/15 | SILVER SPRAY | D17 Command Center received request for assistance from F/V SILVER SPRAY disabled and adrift. F/V SOUTHERN WIND responded to provide tow to safe haven. D17 maintained comms schedule until safe haven was reached. No further Coast Guard assistance requested. |



**Appendix B**  
October - November 2015  
Fisheries Boardings without Violations

| DATE     | VSL NAME         | SPECIES | AREA |
|----------|------------------|---------|------|
| 9/16/15  | LADY SIMPSON     | 200     | 3A   |
| 9/18/15  | GOTA             | 430     | 659  |
| 9/18/15  | CHERYL           | 430     | 659  |
| 9/18/15  | ALJAC            | 430     | 659  |
| 9/18/15  | SHARON SUE       | 430     | 659  |
| 9/18/15  | KIBITZER         | 430     | 659  |
| 9/19/15  | AK2944N          | 200     | 2C   |
| 9/19/15  | AK8669N          | 200     | 2C   |
| 9/20/15  | AK7394P          | 200     | 2C   |
| 9/20/15  | AK2947AA         | 430     | 659  |
| 9/21/15  | PACIFIC HORIZON  | 430     | 659  |
| 9/21/15  | MIDDLE PASS      | 710     | SE   |
| 9/22/15  | CAPE ENCHANTMENT | 710     | SE   |
| 9/22/15  | NORTH FORK       | 430     | 659  |
| 9/22/15  | ATLAS            | 200     | 2C   |
| 9/23/15  | CAPE HORN        | 127     | 514  |
| 9/24/15  | RENEGADE         | 200     | 3A   |
| 9/25/15  | FLYING OCEAN     | 110     | 630  |
| 9/25/15  | SEA DREAM        | 110     | 630  |
| 9/26/15  | FISH TALE        | 110     | 630  |
| 9/26/15  | PACIFIC SUN      | 200     | 4A   |
| 9/27/15  | BRONZE MAIDEN    | 430     | 659  |
| 9/27/15  | ISIS             | 430     | 659  |
| 9/27/15  | YANKEE           | 410     | 659  |
| 10/3/15  | SEA VENTURE      | 710     | 541  |
| 10/8/15  | OPTIMUS          | 200     | 2C   |
| 10/8/15  | MIKIAK BAY       | 965     | 659  |
| 10/14/15 | ALEUTIAN SABLE   | 110     | 509  |
| 10/16/15 | CAPE ST ELIAS    | 270     | 610  |
| 10/16/15 | PRIMUS           | 270     | 610  |
| 10/16/15 | KAREN EVICH      | 270     | 610  |
| 10/18/15 | BERING HUNTER    | 921     | 516  |
| 10/18/15 | SILVER SPRAY     | 921     | 516  |

**Appendix B**  
October - November 2015  
Fisheries Boardings without Violations

| <b>DATE</b> | <b>VSL NAME</b> | <b>SPECIES</b> | <b>AREA</b> |
|-------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|
| 10/18/15    | BERING STAR     | 921            | 509         |
| 10/18/15    | HANDLER         | 921            | 509         |
| 10/18/15    | WESTERN MARINER | 921            | 509         |
| 10/18/15    | INCENTIVE       | 921            | 509         |
| 10/18/15    | VICTORY         | 921            | 509         |
| 10/18/15    | KISKA SEA       | 921            | 509         |
| 10/19/15    | HORNET          | 410            | 659         |
| 10/19/15    | AK3038AG        | 410            | 659         |
| 10/19/15    | ST DOMINIC      | 110            | 519         |
| 10/22/15    | INVESTOR        | NA             | NA          |
| 10/23/15    | MAGNUS MARTENS  | 110            | 610         |
| 10/24/15    | BRISTOL MARINER | 921            | 509         |
| 10/24/15    | TSUNAMI         | 895            | 659         |
| 10/24/15    | NANCY MARIE     | 895            | 659         |
| 10/25/15    | AK2742AN        | 895            | 659         |
| 10/25/15    | STELLAR SEA     | 895            | 659         |
| 11/3/15     | KARELIA         | 110            | 630         |
| 11/3/15     | FOOLS GOLD      | 410            | 659         |
| 11/7/15     | PACIFIC VENTURE | 110            | 519         |

**Appendix C**  
October - November 2015  
Fisheries Boardings with Violations

| DATE     | UNIT          | VSL NAME      | SPECIES | NOTES AND DETAILS  |
|----------|---------------|---------------|---------|--|
| 9/18/15  | ALEX HALEY    | APOLLO        | 430     | Unserviceable lifering, expired fire extinguisher  |
| 9/18/15  | ALEX HALEY    | NORTHERN STAR | 430     | Missing oil pollution placard, injury placard, and garbage placard   |
| 9/19/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | AK2491AL      | 200     | No type IV floatation device on board  |
| 9/23/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | AK7761JM      | 200     | Insufficient Type IV floatation device   |
| 9/24/15  | LIBERTY       | HARMONY ISLE  | 430     | Life raft expired  |
| 9/26/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | SEVEN SEAS    | NA      | Registration not onboard   |
| 9/27/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | EL RIO        | 430     | Voyage terminated for insufficient number of PFDs.   |
| 10/3/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | PIRATE        | 965     | Expired EPIRB registration and life raft inspection date.  |
| 10/3/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | FRAN          | 965     | Expired hydrostatic release on EPIRB, immersion suit missing a strobe light  |
| 10/3/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | SHADOW        | 965     | EPIRB missing registration decal, immersion suit missing a strobe light, and documentation not on board.   |
| 10/3/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | SHANNON HOPE  | 965     | Voyage terminated for inadequate number of immersion suits for POB   |
| 10/4/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | BLUEBACK      | 910     | Expired hydrostatic release on EPIRB and expired EPIRB. Significant fishery violation for illegally setting crab pots and retaining crab caught in Annette Island Reserve. |
| 10/4/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | SHAMROCK II   | 895     | Voyage terminated for insufficient immersion suit, life saving markings, and vessel navigation lights  |
| 10/5/15  | STA KETCHIKAN | MARSHA ANN    | 895     | Documentation not on board   |
| 10/10/15 | STA KETCHIKAN | ST. RAPHAEL   | 815     | Sound producing device not on board  |
| 10/15/15 | LIBERTY       | GAMBLER       | 410     | Voyage terminated for no survival craft onboard.   |

**Appendix C**  
October - November 2015  
Fisheries Boardings with Violations

| DATE     | UNIT          | VSL NAME       | SPECIES | NOTES AND DETAILS   |
|----------|---------------|----------------|---------|---|
| 10/15/15 | NAUSHON       | MIDDLETON      | 200     | Two fisheries violations: hired master did not have his own IFQ permit available for inspection, and did not have an IFQ permit (or copy) for one of the permits listed on his hired master permit. |
| 10/16/15 | WAESCHE       | SHAWNA RAE     | 270     | Expired visual distress signals   |
| 10/17/15 | WAESCHE       | AFOGNAK STRAIT | 720     | Expired visual distress signals   |
| 10/18/15 | STA KETCHIKAN | MJ             | 895     | Negligent operations, insufficient fire extinguisher bracket, and life ring not accessible.   |
| 10/18/15 | NAUSHON       | AK1852M        | 410     | No fire extinguisher, sound-producing device, or registration   |
| 10/19/15 | NAUSHON       | VIKING SPIRIT  | 200     | Expired visual distress signals, fire extinguishers, and documentation. Vessel directed by COTP order to remain in port until discrepancies corrected.  |
| 10/25/15 | ANACAPA       | AK7488H        | 200     | Voyage terminated for no immersion suits or survival craft on board.  |