

## HALIBUT AND SABLEFISH IFQ PROGRAM AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

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Brief Statement of Proposal: Exempt D class vessels (or vessels under 26 feet) delivering less than 300, 500, or a 1000 lbs of halibut, to be either exempt from the three-hour notice to deliver or implement a less burdensome notice to deliver (one hour) for qualified vessel deliveries.

Objectives of Proposal (What is the problem?): Most skiff fisherman do not have high power radios, cell phone boosters, etc. that would allow them the convenience to call in their landing on their way in from the fishing grounds and thus have to hold their fish over night on vessels that do not have fish holds. This can be a problem, in the summer when the weather is warm, in SE Alaska where it rains quite a bit, and in the shoulder seasons when fish plant hours are reduced. Also trollers delivering salmon but have incidentally caught less than 500 lbs of halibut have a notice of IFQ delivery exemption.

Need and Justification for Council Action (Why can't the problem be resolved through other channels?):

Foreseeable Impacts of Proposal (Who wins, who loses?): win-win

Are there Alternative Solutions? If so, what are they and why do you consider your proposal the best way of solving the problem? I am open to other ideas but talking to fisherman around here and getting their input confirmed that this would be the best way to go.

Supportive Data and Other Information (What data are available and where can they be found?): I will be at the IFQ implementation team meeting and can answer any questions.

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