

Council motion**B-1 Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod Allocation Review****December 8, 2023**

NOAA's Fisheries Allocation Policy Directive 01-119 provides for a brief, periodic evaluation of fisheries allocations, to review the original objectives of such actions and to remain relevant to current conditions. The Council accepts the Gulf of Alaska (GOA) Pacific cod allocation review to fulfill the allocation policy directive after revision to incorporate the shoreside processing sector and community participation related to shoreside processing activity in Chapter 3 and a summary of the status of the GOA Pacific cod stock during the review period.

Overall, the Council finds the objectives of the GOA Pacific cod allocations (GOA Amendment 83) are still relevant and the allocations generally meet the original objectives of GOA Amendment 83 relative to establishing allocations to all sectors based on gear and operation type for the Western and Central Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod fisheries; reducing competition between sectors and enhancing stability by enabling sectors to plan harvesting and processing operations within a fishing year; promoting sustainable fishing practices; maintaining the historical division of catch among sectors while providing opportunities for new entrants; promoting community participation through both harvesting and processing sectors; and allow for increased participation by and new entrants in the jig sector.