08-Apr	1988	BERING	SEA AND AL	EUTIANS:	CURREN	T APPORTIO	NMENTS	AND CURRE	NT CATCHE	S		
							EitTu	IND COMIL		CHES THRU	19-Mar	
										CHES THRU	26-Mar	
SPECIES		CURRENT	APPORT.	CURRENT	CATCHES	9	SPECIES		CURRENT	APPORT.	CURRENT	CATCHES
POLLOCK		CTAC	1105000	TOTAL	371556		PACIFIC		CTAC	EEA1	TOTAL	
(BERING		DAP	614162	DAP	68962				CTAC	5541	TOTAL	6
(DEINING	uLII7	JVP					OCEAN		DAP	5100	DAP	6
ADC-	1500000		490838	JVP	302594		(ALEUTI		JVP	441	JVP	0
ABC=	1500000	TALFF	0	TALFF	0		ABC=		TALFF	0	TALFF	0
OTAC=	1300000	"RES"	195000	REMAIN.	733444		OTAC=	6000	"RES"	459	REMAIN.	5535
POLLOCK		CTAC	38250	TOTAL	17548		ROCKFIS	н	CTAC	370	TOTAL	31
(ALEUTIA	ANS)	DAP	4160	DAP	070		(BERING		DAP	340	DAP	29
		JVP	34090	JVP	14540	371,556	IDENTINO	,				
ABC=	100000	TALFF	0	TALFF	0	16,569	400	400	JVP	30	JVP	2
OTAC=	45000	"RES"			00700	388125	ABC=		TALFF	0	TALFF	0
OINC-	43000	VED	6750	REMAIN.	20702	5081	OTAC=	400	"RES"	30	REMAIN.	339
YELLOWFI	IN	CTAC	215900	TOTAL	99750	F	ROCKFIS	Н	CTAC	1100	TOTAL	9
SOLE		DAP	26356	DAP	937		(ALEUTI	ANS)	DAP	935	DAP	9
		JVP	189544	JVP	98813				JVP	165	JVP	ó
ABC=	254000	TALFF	0	TALFF	0		ABC=	1100	TALFF	0	TALFF	
OTAC=	254000	"RES"	38100	REMAIN.	116150		OTAC=	1100	"RES"	0	REMAIN.	0 1091
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GREENLAN		CTAC	9551	TOTAL	614	9	SABLEFIS	SH	CTAC	2927	TOTAL	869
TURBOT		DAP	9520	DAP	584		(BERING	)	DAP	2890	DAP	869
		JVP	31	JVP	30				JVP	37	JVP	0
ABC=	14100	TALFF	0	TALFF	0		ABC=	3400	TALFF	0	TALFF	0
OTAC=	11200	"RES"	1649	REMAIN.	8937		OTAC=	3400	*RES*	473	REMAIN.	2058
-												1000
ARROWTOO	ITH	CTAC	4701	TOTAL	539	9	SABLEF IS	SH	CTAC	4297	TOTAL	434
FLOUND	ER	DAP	3808	DAP	59		(ALEUTIA		DAP	4250	DAP	434
		JVP	893	JVP	480				JVP	47	JVP	0
ABC=	99500	TALFF	0	TALFF	0		ABC=	5800	TALFF	0	TALFF	0
OTAC=	5531	"RES"	830	REMAIN.	4162		OTAC=	5000	"RES"	703	REMAIN.	3863
							NUTSURE PROPERTY			,,,,		0000
OTHER		CTAC	111664	TOTAL	67571	A	TKA		CTAC	17850	TOTAL	5
FLOUND	ERS	DAP	26403	DAP	20985		MACKERA	1L	DAP	80	DAP	4
		JVP	85261	JVP	46586				JVP	17770	JVP	1
ABC=	331900	TALFF	0	TALFF	0		ABC=	21000	TALFF	0	TALFF	0
OTAC=	131369	"RES"	19705	REMAIN.	44093.		OTAC=	21000	"RES"	3150	REMAIN.	17845
								21000	WEO.	3130	NCIINIII.	17073
PACIFIC		CTAC	170000	TOTAL	84753		SQUID		CTAC	875	TOTAL	4
COD		DAP	87416	DAP	15290				DAP	850	DAP	0
		JVP	82584	JVP	69463				JVP	25	JVP	4
ABC=	385000	TALFF	0	TALFF	0		ABC=	10000	TALFF	0	TALFF	0
OTAC=	200000	"RES"	30000	REMAIN.	85247		OTAC=	1000	"RES"	125	REMAIN.	871
DACICIO		0740	1070	7074		_						
PACIFIC	CDOU	CTAC	4278	TOTAL	35	0	THER		CTAC	8500	TOTAL	3580
OCEAN P		DAP	4250	DAP	35		SPECIE	S	DAP	2000	DAP	161
(BERING		JVP	28	JVP	0				JVP	6500	JVP	3419
ABC=	9000	TALFF	0	TALFF	0		ABC=	54000	TALFF	0	TALFF	0
OTAC=	5000	"RES"	721	REMAIN.	4243		OTAC=	10000	"RES"	1500	REMAIN.	4920
							TOTAL		CTAC	1700004	TOTAL	/ 4770
CTAC = CI	URRENT TO	ΓΔΙ ΔΙΙΠΕΙΛ	ABLE CATCH				IUIAL		CTAC	1700804	TOTAL	647304
			IP + TALFF						DAP	792520	DAP	109343
	TAC MINUS		וואנרר				455		JVP	908284	JVP	537961
		2017/2017/11/E-1	JEG TOTAL D	EMAINDER:	1759404			2802800	TALFF	0	TALFF	0
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08-Apr	1988	<b>GULF</b> OF	ALASKA		CURRENT	APPORTIONMENTS AND	CURRE	NT CATCH	ES		
									TCHES THRU	19-Mar	
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		CURRENT	APPORT.	CURRENT	CATCHES	SPECIES		CURREN	T APPORT.	CURRENT	CATCHES
POLLOCK		TAC	90000	TOTAL	11176	OTHER		TAC	4850	TOTAL	AE
(WESTERN/C	ENTRAL 1	DAP	90000	DAP	11176	ROCKFISH				TOTAL	45
	LIVITATION	JVP	0	JVP	0		ı	DAP	4850	DAP	45
OTAC=	90000	RES	0			(WESTERN)	550	JVP \$		JVP	0
UINC-	70000	VES	U	REMAIN.	78824	0	550	RES	0	REMAIN.	4805
POLLOCK		TAC	3000	TOTAL	0	OTHER		TAC	7100	TOTAL	444
(EASTERN)		DAP	3000	DAP	0	ROCKFISH		DAP	7100	DAP	444
		JVP	0	JVP	0	(CENTRAL)		JVP #	1.5.5.5)	JVP	. 0
OTAC=	3000	RES	0	REMAIN.	3000	0	2350	RES	0	REMAIN.	6656
DARTETE CO	n	TAC	10000	TOTAL	7.0						
PACIFIC CO	ע	TAC	19000	TOTAL	79	OTHER		TAC	4850	TOTAL	551
(WESTERN)		DAP	13000	DAP	79	ROCKFISH		DAP	4850	DAP	551
		JVP	6000	JVP	0	(EASTERN)		JVP	0	JVP	0
OTAC=	19000	RES	0	REMAIN.	18921	0	400	RES	0	REMAIN.	4299
PACIFIC CO	D	TAC	60800	TOTAL	6916	PELAGIC SH	ELF	TAC	550	TOTAL	0
(CENTRAL)		DAP	55750	DAP	6916	ROCKFISH		DAP	550	DAP	0
		JVP	5050	JVP	0	(WESTERN)		JVP \$	0	JVP	0
OTAC=	60800	RES	0	REMAIN.	53884	OTAC=	550	RES	0	REMAIN.	550
PACIFIC CO	n	TAC	500	TOTAL	-					1,	
	U		200	TOTAL	3	PELAGIC SH		TAC	2350	TOTAL	5
(EASTERN)		DAP	200	DAP	3	ROCKFISH		DAP	2350	DAP	5
		JVP	0 -	JVP	0	(CENTRAL)		JVP \$	0	JVP	0
OTAC=	200	RES	0	REMAIN.	197	=DATO	2350	RES	0	REMAIN.	2345
FLOUNDERS		TAC	1600	TOTAL	2	PELAGIC SH	ELF	TAC	400	TOTAL	2
(WESTERN)		DAP	1550	DAP	2	ROCKFISH		DAP	400	DAP	2
		JVP	50	JVP	0	(EASTERN)	•	JVP	0	JVP	0
OTAC=	1600	RES	0	REMAIN.	1598	OTAC=	400	RES	0	REMAIN.	398
			v	, NCIIIIZMI	1070	urno-	700	וורט	V	WEHNIN.	370
FLOUNDERS		TAC	21300	TOTAL	685	DEMERSAL S	HELF	TQ	660	TOTAL	130
(CENTRAL)		DAP	14300	DAP	685	ROCKFISH		DAP	660	DAP	130
		JVP	7000	JVP	0	(SE OUTSID	E)	JVP	0	JVP	0
OTAC=	21300	RES	0	REMAIN.	20615	OTAC=	4000	RES	Ö	REMAIN.	530
FLOUNDERS		TAC	100	TOTAL	4	THORNYHEAD		TQ	3750	TOTAL	164
(EASTERN)		DAP	100	DAP	4	(GULF-WIDE	()	DAP	3700	DAP	164
		JVP	0	JVP	0			JVP	50	JVP	0
OTAC=	100	RES	0	REMAIN.	96	OTAC=	3750	RES	0	REMAIN.	3586
SABLEFISH		TQ	4060	TOTAL	138	OTHER		TQ	12426	TOTAL	4
(WESTERN)		DAP	4060	DAP	138	SPECIES		DAP	10926	DAP	4
		JVP #	30	JVP	0			JVP	1500	JVP	0
OTAC=	4060	RES	0	REMAIN.	3922	0	10537	RES	0	REMAIN.	12422
	-				0,22	V	10337	ILL	V	VEUHIN.	12422
SABLEFISH		TQ	12540	TOTAL	25	TOTAL		TQ	260936	TOTAL	20396
(CENTRAL)		DAP	12540	DAP	25			DAP	241286	DAP	20396
		JVP #	169	JVP	0			JVP	19650	JVP	0
OTAC=	8800	RES	0	REMAIN.	12515	0 2	38647	RES	0	REMAIN.	240540
SABLEFISH		TQ	11400	TOTAL	23						
(EASTERN)		DAP	11400	DAP	23				3		
		JVP	0	JVP	0	# NO	T PART	UE IU			
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Area	YFS/FL	1987 Other 	Total	As of Mar YFS/FL 	ch 19, 198 Other 	38 「otal 
			HALIBUT			
Zone 1 Zone 2	63,632 21,708	76,297 194,062	139,929 215,770	126,859 15,223	109,188 611,079	236,047 626,302
All BSA	222,037	310,761	532,798	142,082	737,353	879,43
			RED KING CRAE	3		
Zone 1 Zone 2	64,398 699	39,094 8,446	103,492 9,145	49,226 1,961	4,981 76	54,20 2,03
All BSA	76,422	46,585	123,006	51,187	5,084	56,27
			BAIRDI TANNER	R CRABS		
Zone 1 Zone 2	98,161 78,933		115,960 221,658			108,10 98,20
All BSA	215,710	164,836	380,546	136,521	<b>69,8</b> 30	206,35
			GROUNDFISH	(mt)		
Zone 1 Zone 2	•	124,778 567,121	199,047 588,875	99,685 41,522	137,049 113,788	236,73 155,31
All BSA	245,470	1,096,694	1,342,164	141,207	350,141	491,34
	RATES:	INDIVIDUALS	S PER METRIC	TON GROUNDFIS	Н	
Area 	YFS/FL	1987 Other	Total	As of Mar YFS/FL		
			HALIBUT			
			0.70 0.37		0.80 5.37	1.0 4.0
All BSA	0.90	0.28	0.40	1.01	2.11	1.7
			RED KING CRA	3		
			0.52 0.02		0.04 0.00	
All BSA	0.31	0.04	0.09	0.36	0.01	0.1
			BAIRDI TANNE	R CRABS		
Zone 1 Zone 2			0.58 0.38		0.09 0.51	0.4 0.6

All BSA

0.88

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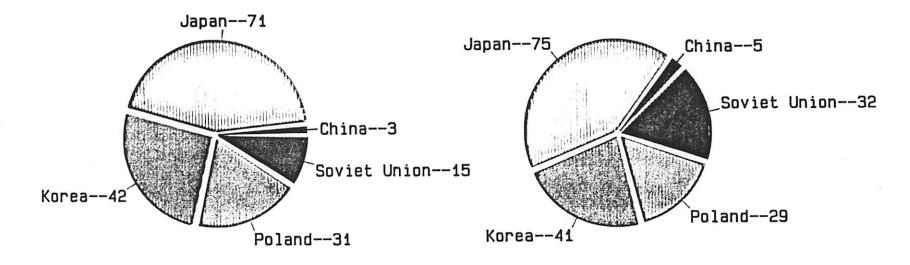
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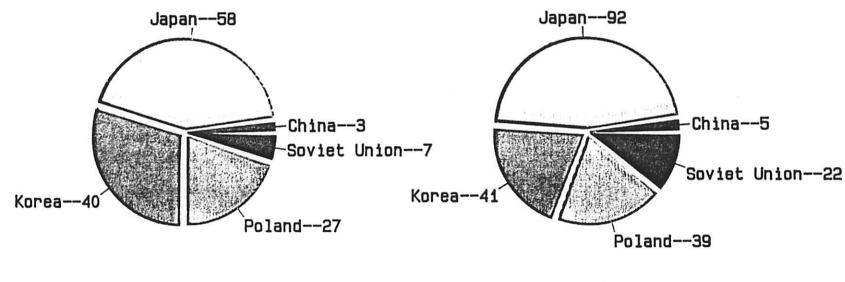
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# NUMBER OF FOREIGN VESSELS OFF ALASKA March 1987 & 1988



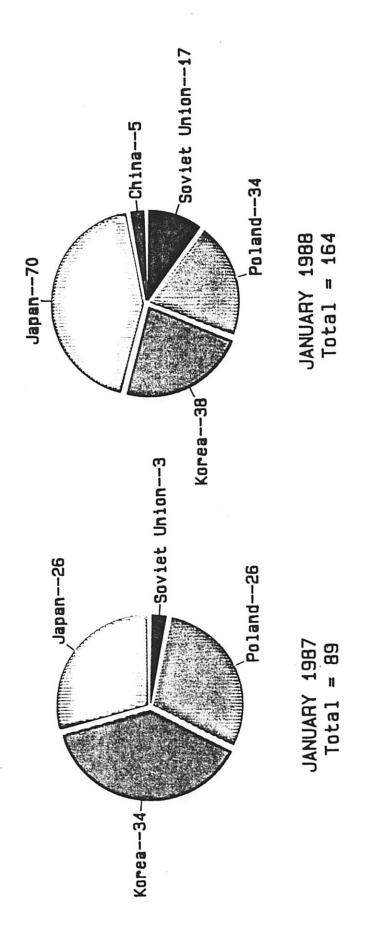
MARCH 1987 Total = 162 MARCH 1988 Total = 182

# NUMBER OF FOREIGN VESSELS OFF ALASKA February 1987 & 1988



FEBRUARY 1987 Total = 135 FEBRUARY 1988 Total = 199

# NUMBER OF FOREIGN VESSELS OFF ALASKA January 1987 & 1988



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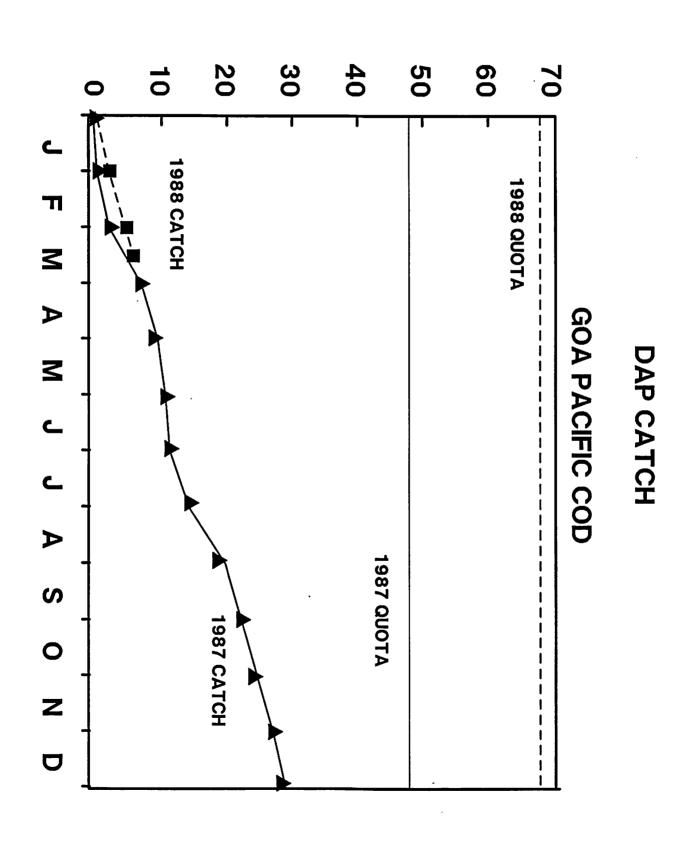
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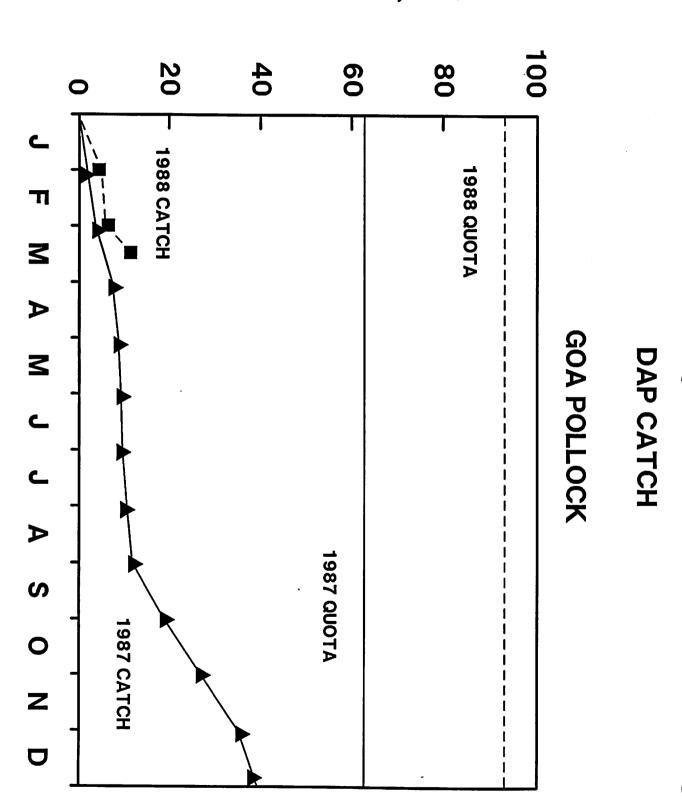
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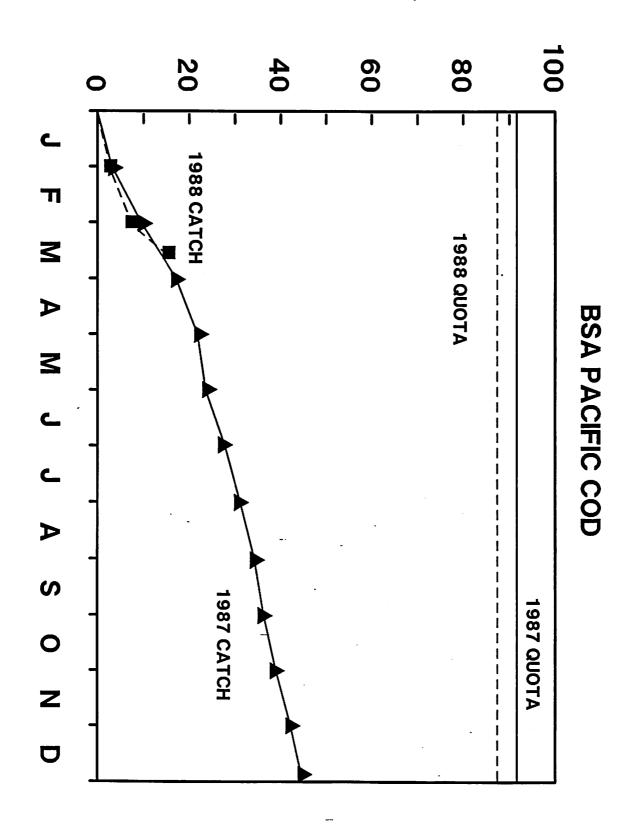
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POLLOCK CATCH QUOTA % TAKEN	73961 614162	979 4160			13215 90000 15%				0% 3000 0			74940 618322 12%	13215 93000 14%	88155 711322 12%
YFINSOLE CATCH QUOTA % TAKEN			942 26356 4%									942 26356 4%	-	942 26356 4%
GRTURBOT CATCH QUOTA % TRKEN			605 9520 8%									805 9520 8%	-	805 9520 8%
RRTHFLOUNDE CATCH QUOTA % TRKEN	R		59 3808 2x									59 3808 2%	-	59 3808 2%
FLOUNDERS CATCH QUOTA % TAKEN			21002 26403 80%	1550 02	:	696 14300 5%			5 100 5%			21002 26403 80%	703 15950 4%	21704 42353 51%
PRCIFIC COO CATCH QUOTA % TRKEN	)		16953 87416 19%	249 13000 27	<b>:</b>	7511 55750 13%			200 2%			16953 87416 19%	7757 68950 11%	24710 156366 16%
POP CATCH QUOTA % TAKEN	3 425											49 9350 0%	-	43 9350 0%
ROCKFISH CATCH QUOTA % TAKEN	4 34 1			80 4850 2:	¢.	603 7100 8%			644 4850 13%			50 1275 4%	1326 16800 8%	1376 18075 8%
PELAG SHELF CATCH QUOTA 2 TRKEN	F ROCKF			0 550 0		25 2350 1%			0 400 0%			-	25 3300 1%	25 3300 1%
DEMERS SHEI CATCH QUOTA % TAKEN	LF ROCKF									130 660 20%		-	130 660 20%	130 660 20%
THORNYHERD CATCH QUOTA 2 TRKEN											199 3700 5%	-	199 3700 52	199 3700 5%
SRBLEFISH CATCH QUOTA % TRKEN	100 289											1471 7140 21%	-	1471 7140 21%
SRBLEFISH CATCH QUOTA % TRKEN	(LL)			2230 0		10030 0%	4660 0%	61 <b>60</b> 0%	:			-	15 23100 07	15 23100 % 0%
SRBLEFISH EATCH OUDTA % TAKEN	(TRRWL)			81 G		159 2510 6%	28 240 12%	20 320 62	:			-	215 3880 63	215 3880 % 6%
SABLEFISH CATCH QUOTA % TAKEN	(POT)			- 1020	) ) )							-	0 1020 0:	1020
ATKA MACKE CATCH QUOTA % TAKEN	REL		13 80 17%									13 80 17	-	13 80 17%
SOUIL CATCH OVOTA % TRKEN		_	0 850 0%	-								0 850 0	-	0 950 0%
OTHER CATCH QUOTA % TAPEN			161 2000 8%				-				10926 07	:	% O	1 1 X
TOT CATCH TOT QUOTA TOT %	750 <b>62</b> 16	138 1466 142 14445 12% 10	39935 156433 % 26%	33 2401	3 1321 0 9000 1% 1	5 9004 0 92040 5% 10%	28 4900 4 13	6500 2 00	652 8550 % 8:	660	14626	: 116439 : <b>79</b> 2520 :: 15	23568 241286 % 10	140027 1033806 12 14%

GENEPAL NOTES- "catch" = CATCHEP/PROCESSOPS AND 4/4/88 FISH TICKET RUN
- fill flounder quotas include rock sole
- Gulf flounder quotas include grturbot, arthflounder, yfinsole
- Rockfishes: Bering See and Aleutians:
- POP quotas consist of 5 species in POP complex
- "Rockfish" quotas consist of all other rockfishes, including thornyheads
- Gulf of Alaska:
- Pelagic shelf quotas consist of 5 species in pelagic shelf assemblage
- "Rockfish" quotas consist of demersal shelf and slope assemblages with the exception
- Gulf "other" quota includes atka mackerel and squid

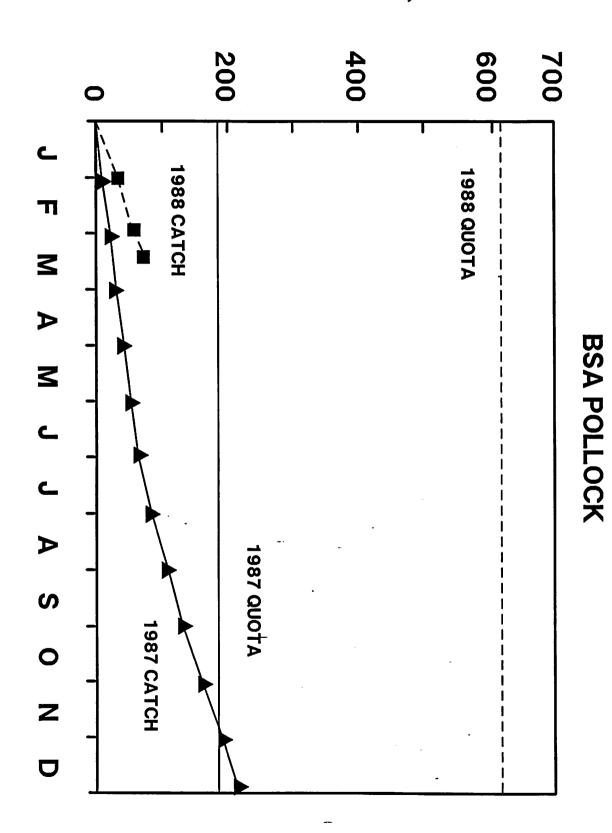
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NMFS/AKR1/GHAF 08-Apr-88			**** FOR				
BERING SEA	88 DAP	CATCH	ER/PROCES TRAWL	SOR DATA TOTAL		01-Jan MP SP	THRU 26-Mar BSA TOT
POLLOCK		0.0	47730. A	47730.8			48710.0 1210.2 11 <u>6</u> 08.6
SABLEFISH PACIFIC COD GRTURBOT	0.0 111.3 129.6 6.9 0.0	60.0	608.8 11475.5 722.7	11605. 1 729. 6			11608.6 742.4
YFÍNSÖLE ARTTHFLOUND FLATFISH ROCK SOLE	0.0	0.0	941. 8 59. 2 8118. 3 4666. 4	941.8 59.2 8118.3	<b>J</b> -1	2784.6	11608.6 742.4 941.8 59.2 8118.3 4656.4 42.9 6.6 34.3 0.0
POP	0. 0 0. 0	0.0	36. 1	4666. 4 36. 1	3		4666. 4 42. 9
ROCKFISH THORNYHEAD ATKA MACKEREL	1.0 0.0 0.0	0.0	4. 1 27. 2 13. 3 0. 0	5.4 27.4 13.3 0.0	3-	32.8	34. 3 13. 3
SQUID OTHER	0.0	0.0	161.0	161.0			161.0
TOTAL	248.8	60.5	74565. 1	74874.4			76314.9
ALEUTIANS	LL	POT	TRAWL	TOTAL	F	MP SP	
POLLOCK SABLEFISH PACIFIC COD	239.1	178.9	979.0 13.0 2.6	979. 2 430. 1 3. 5 12. 8			
YEINSOLE	0.0 8.3 0.0	0.0	13.0 2.65 4.5	430.1 3.5 12.8 0.0			
ARTTHFLOUND FLATFISH ROCK SOLE	0.0	0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.0 0.0 0.0		]-	0.0	
PDP ROCKFISH THORNYHEAD	0.9 0.8 5.9 0.0	0.2	0.0 5.7 0.9 0.0	1.6	]-	8. 1	
ATKA MACKEREL SQUID OTHER	5.9 0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0	0.0	7. 0 0. 0 0. 0 0. 0			
TOTAL		179.7	1005.7	1440.5			
WESTERN GULF	LL	POT	TRAWL	TOTAL	F	MP SP	GOA TOT
POLLOCK SABLEFISH	0.0	0.0	0.4 8.3	0.4 8.3 51.7			2923.0 203.6
PACIFIC COD GRTURBOT YFINSOLE	0.0 9.7 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0	0.4 8.3 42.0 0.0 0.0	0.0	3		2923.0 203.6 187.4 95.0 9.0
ARTTHFLOUND FLATFISH ROCK SOLE	0.0 0.0	8.8	0.0 0.0 1.1 0.0 44.7	0. 0 1. 1	3-	1.1	9. 6 97. <u>1</u>
POP SLROCK	0.0	0.0	0.0 44.7 35.1 0.0	0.0 0.0 1.1 0.0 44.7 35.1	) }		95.0 9.0 97.1 6.9 164.5 1131.6 0.9 2.5 195.0 0.0
DEMROCK PELROCK THORNYHEAD	0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0 16.5	0.0 0.0 16.5 23.0	}-	79.8	0.9 2.5 195.9
ATKA MACKEREL SQUID	8.8	8.8	23.0	0.0	3		0.9 2.5 195.9 23.0
OTHER TOTAL	0.0 9.7	0.0	0.0 171.0	0.0 180.7	]-	23.0	0.0 5041.0
CENTRAL GULF	LL	POT	TRAWL	TOTAL	F	MP SP	
POLLOCK SABLEFISH	0.0	0.0	2922.6 147.6	2922.6 147.6			
POLLOCK SABLEFISH PACIFIC COD GRTURBOT VEINSOIF	0.0	0.0	2922.6 147.6 135.7 95.0	2922.6 147.6 135.7 95.0	3		
ARTTHFLOUND FLATFISH	0.0 0.0 0.0	0.0	2922.6 147.6 135.7 95.0 9.6 95.7	95.0 0.0 9.6 95.7	) ) )	203. 1	
ARTTHELOUND FLATFISH ROCK SOLE POP SLROCK	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.00	33. 6	95.0 9.6 95.8 29.3 543.5	]- }		
ARTINGUE ARTITHEUND FLATFISH ROCK SOLE POP SLROCK DEMROCK PELROCK	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.00	29.3 29.3 543.5 2.5	90.067 8355 95.295.55 243.55 543.55	]_	203. 1 573. 7	
ARTTHFLEUND FLATFISH ROCK SOLE POP SLROCK DEMROCK PEROCK THORNYHEAD ATKA MACKEREL SOUID	000000000000000000000000000000000000000		29.3 29.3 543.5 0.9 2.5 87.7 0.0	90.6783595700 95.29.3.595.700 80.000	11111111111111111111111111111111111111	573.7	
ARTTHFLOUND FLATFISH ROCK SOLE POP SLROCK DEMROCK PELROCK THORNYHEAD ATKA MACKEREL	0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	29.35 29.35 543.59 2.5 87.7	95.0 95.7 95.8 95.8 293.9 54 0.2.7 80.	1		
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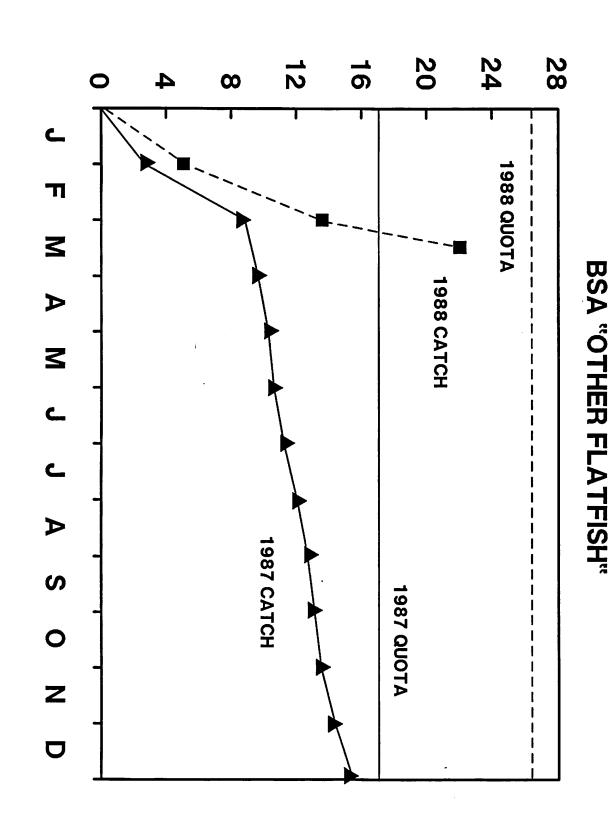




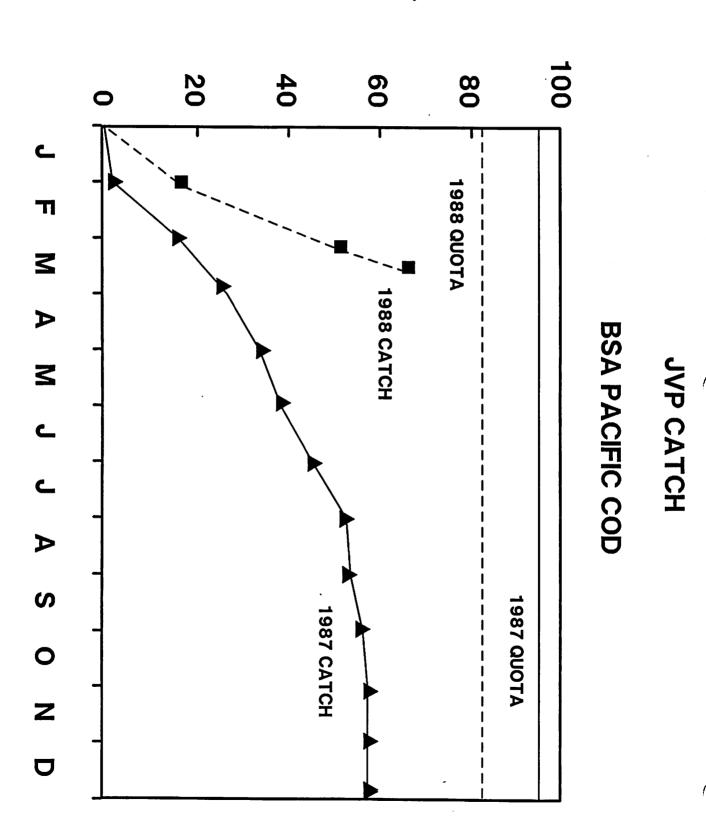
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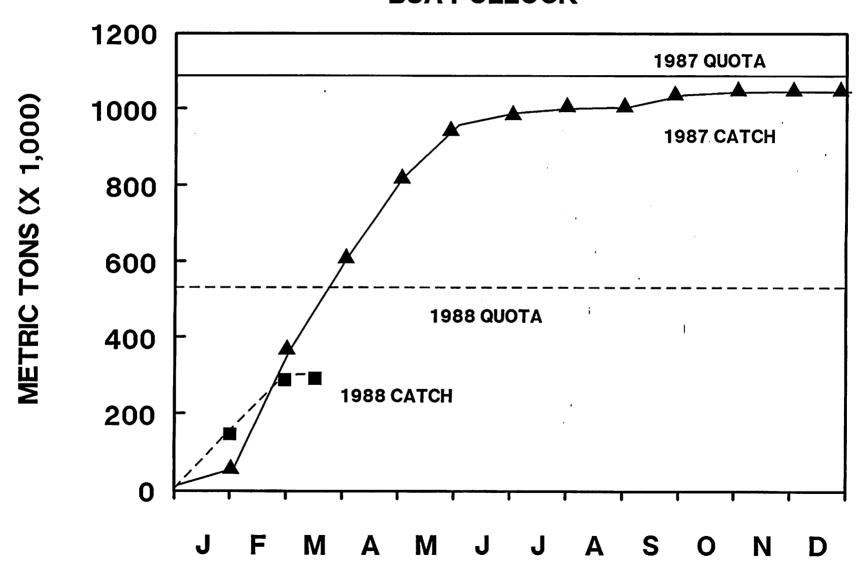


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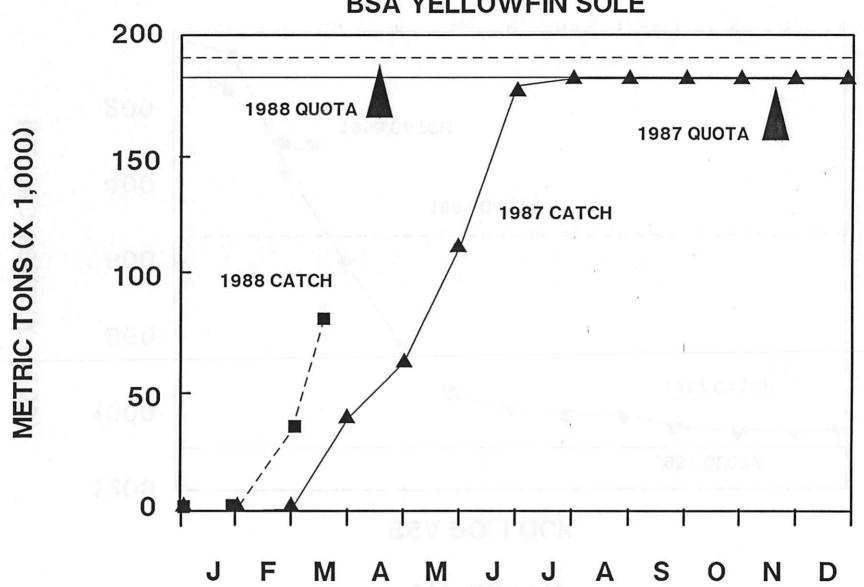
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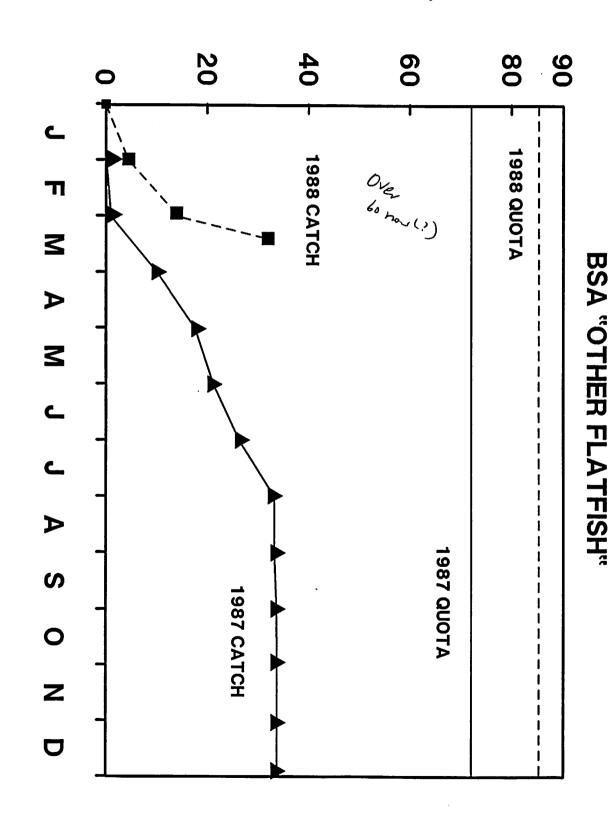
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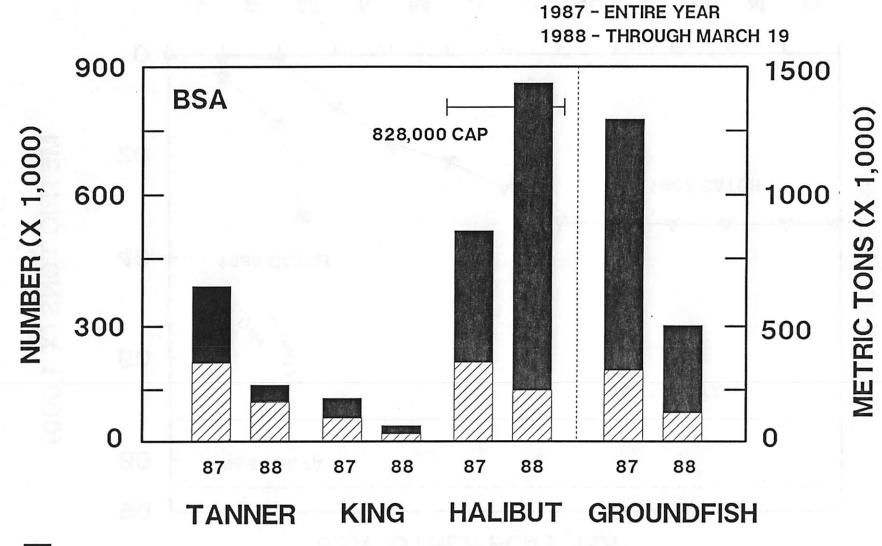






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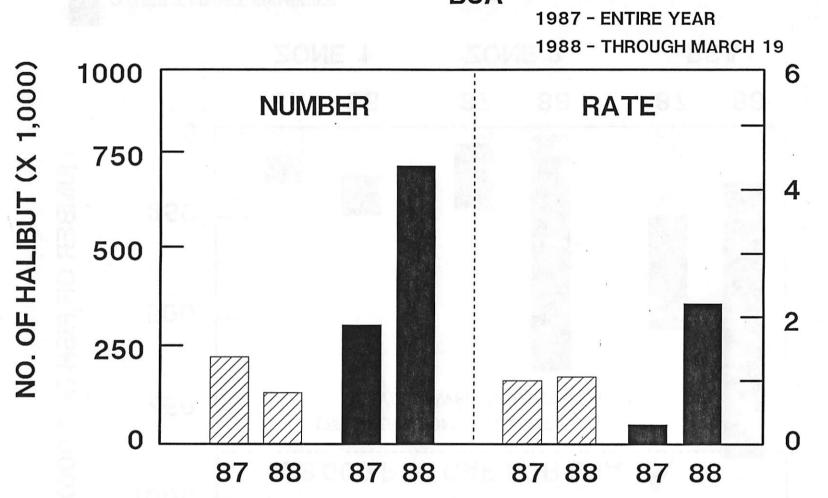


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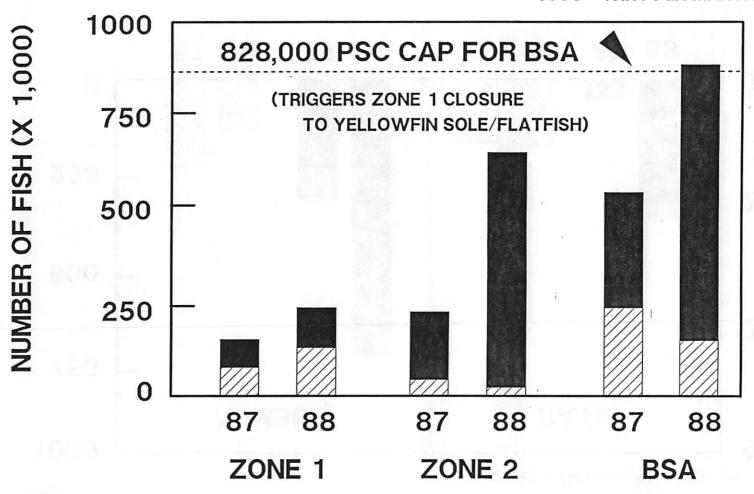
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- OTHER TARGET FISHERIES: PACIFIC COD, POLLOCK
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## PACIFIC HALIBUT CATCHES IN BSA JV FISHERIES

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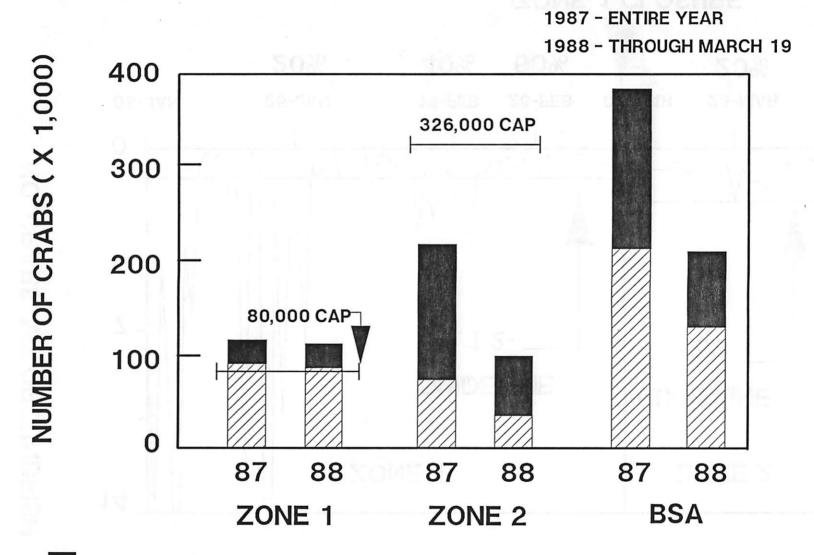


**OTHER TARGET FISHERIES** 



YELLOWFIN SOLE/FLATFISH FISHERIES

## BAIRDI TANNER CRAB CATCHES IN BSA JV FISHERIES

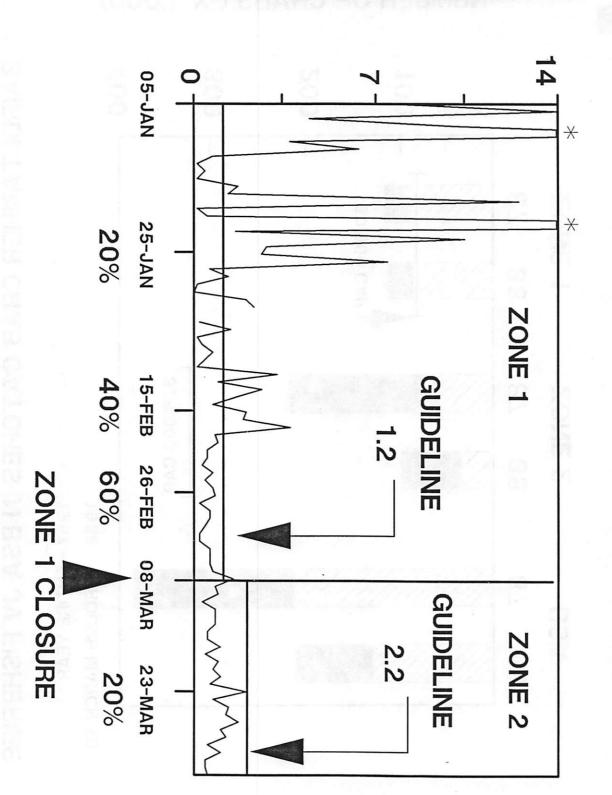




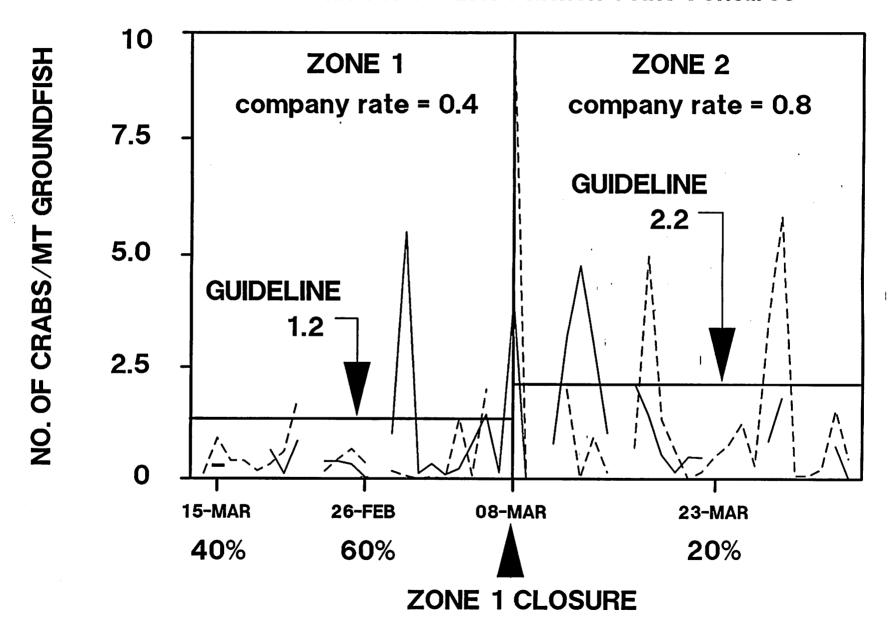
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# Yellowfin Sole/Other Flatfish Joint Ventures

DAILY INDUSTRY BYCATCH OF BAIRDI TANNER CRAB



# DAILY BYCATCH OF BAIRDI TANNER CRABS In Yellowfin Sole/Other Flatfish Joint Ventures



AGENDA B-3 **APRIL 1988** SUPPLEMENTAL

Mr. Robert McVey Director, Alaska Region **NMFS** P.O. Box 21668 Juneau, AK 99802-1668

April 5, 1988

Dear Bob:

We, the undersigned, are requesting that in the spirit of cooperation with the North Pacific fishing industry, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) delay enforcement of the new reporting requirements for catcher processors for a two month period (see 53 Fed Reg 7759, March 10, 1988).

The new reporting requirements establish a product transfer log and product transfer report, and implements a previously published regulation for the reporting of discards. These reports are the result of joint industry-NMFS meetings which analyzed management information needs.

The problem confronting the industry is the short lead time provided to vessel operators to implement the new reporting Vessel operators did not receive the new reporting instructions and forms until after March 15th. This mid-season change is scheduled to go into effect on April 6, 1988. the operating mode of catcher/processors involves staying at sea for periods of up to a month, it has been impossible to distribute the instructions and forms to the persons on the vessels who will be compiling the reports and filling in the logs. Without the forms, instructions or training, it is unreasonable to expect that the system can be properly implemented. The price of making mistakes in the implementation of the system falls on the industry. We are not in a position to get acquainted with the new system through the assessment of civil penalties in the event of real or perceived non-compliance and it is unfair to ask us to pay this price when there is no real gain to the system of enforcement.

We continue to agree that the new requirements should be implemented timely, but we do not feel that the break in period would do the stock management any harm. A delay in enforcement would allow the vessel operators time to distribute the material, and to train personnel in filling out the forms. NMFS could critique compliance with the new requirements, which would aid a smooth implementation. During this period, every effort would be

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made to complete the forms and reports per the requirements of the regulation.

As you know the industry has supported NMFS in its effort to get the data that it needs for management of the fisheries. We supported the concept of implementation of these requirement on a fast track. However, it has taken some time for NMFS to get the regulations through the required governmental procedures. Now that they are through, the government must use some compassion in the threat of penalty to gear up for their application without result in a better system and foster a spirit of cooperation between industry and NMFS. Thank you for consideration of this

Sincerely,

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Cc: North Pacific Fishery Management Council
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Greg Bloom - Northwest Fisheries Association
Pete Granger - American High Seas Fisheries Association
Ted Smits - North Pacific Fishing Vessel Owners Association
Ted Evans - Alaska Factory Trawler Association
Steve Hughes - New Wave Fisheries
Lee Alverson - Highliner's Association
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Dear Bob:			
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After reviewing Part One of the Bering Sea pollock JVP fishery, industry information and the 1987 Best-Blend data, the American High Seas Fisheries Association has examined several possible scenarios. We would like to offer our comments for your

**AMERICAN** 

We understand that as of March 12 approximately 200,500 mt are available for Part Two of the JVP fishery. Using the 1987 Best-Blend data, the average catch for the period March 29 through June 6 was approximately 5,500 mt/day. This year's accelerated harvesting rate will likely exceed that of 1987. Using this conservative rate, the Part Two fishery may finish about May 21. It is therefore imperative that 195,000 mt reserve be released by about May 1 to ensure a continuous fishery, in which case at the 5,500 mt/day rate, the Part Two tonnage plus reserve would be harvested by about June 25.

Prior to the expiration of the initial JVP and the reserve tonnages in Part Two, a re-survey of DAP operations and reassessment of their needs may identify surplus tonnage. JV interests would like to receive that surplus as soon as possible. If it is impossible to make the reapportionment in early June, we would prefer that you postpone releasing it until an early September, Part Three season. It might then be combined with any additional surplus which may be identified in a subsequent survey.

Continuous fishing and processing are critical factors for the success of every operation. Dividing the fishery into more than three seasons would create gross inefficiencies. Our vessels are complex businesses, and their owners cannot manage their operations efficiently when the fishery is split into many small Planning, maintenance and arranging market opportunities, become extremely difficult. Processors may also elect to move to fisheries in other parts of the world if the seasons become too fragmented., We must minimize the number of seasons and conduct them at the appropriate time if we are to

achieve full utilization of the TAC available in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands.

In summary, with BS/AI scenarios ranked in order of the most desirable situation first we are respectfully requesting:

- (1) Part Two season to open April 16, followed by reserve release, followed by surplus DAP release in one continuous fishing period. A Part Three season beginning in early September to harvest surplus DAP determined to be the last opportunity for JV operations to harvest pollock for the year, due to weather and operational considerations.
- (2) Part Two season and reserve release combined in one season, with any surplus DAP released in early September which would be a Part Three fishery.

And least desirable, which we hope will not be the case:

(3) Part Two season only: reserve release and surplus DAP release would be combined into a Part Three season beginning about August 1. Under this scenario the Part Three season should start before early September because the reserve quota will take about 30 to 35 days to harvest and it would be desirable to harvest this before any surplus DAP is harvested.

Surveys of GOA DAP operations and evaluation of their performance and actual needs are critical if the TAC is to be harvested. Fifty-four thousand tons, over one half of this year's DAP requests, were projected for the fourth quarter. If the DAP operations are unable to take this tonnage, these fish may be unutilized this year unless the surplus can be reallocated to JV operations in a timely manner. We hope that the analysis of the situation will identify any surplus in time for reapportionment preferably in the Part Two season or if that's not possible, in the Part Three season or some combination of the two.

It seems to me these are reasonable adjustments that must be made to ensure complete usage of 1988 TAC in this calendar year. I look forward to discussing them with you and the rest of the Council.

Thanks for your continuing support in this important matter.

Sincerely,

To

Pete Granger

Executive Manager

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cc: Jim Campbell, NPFMC Chairman

AGENDA B-3 APRIL 1988 SUPPLEMENTAL



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April 7, 1988

Dear Bob:

I am writing concerning some additional problems that now confront the start-up of DAP operations in the yellowfin sole fishery, and am requesting your assistance to assure that these operations have the opportunity to succeed.

As you know, Zone 1 of the Bering Sea was closed for yellowfin sole and other flatfish operations prior to entry by DAP operations due to exhaustion of the bairdi bycatch allocation. That same situation may soon confront us in Zone 2. Joint venture operations have recently intensified, and it seems likely that unless some action is taken to either stop the joint venture fishery or make a separate bycatch allowance for DAP, DAP operations will be precluded from fishing in Zone 2 as well.

In addition to the bairdi bycatch situation, it appears that DAP operators will need an additional amount of "other flatfish" to harvest the 25,000 mt of yellowfin sole that is projected. This is based on recent joint venture catch reports that show that yellowfin sole and "other flatfish" are being harvested in nearly equal proportion. Since the initial DAP projection of 26,403 mt of "other flatfish" is nearly exhausted (20,985 mt harvested as of March 19th), an additional allocation of approximately 25,000 mt should be made from reserves. This is assuming that DAP will experience the same bycatch as JV.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely,

William R. Orr

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BERING SEA (ONLY)

1988 POLLOCK

JUP POLLOCK ALLOCATED 1988 = 490,000 MT

JUP POLLOCK CATCH Thru mar 26 = 303,000 Mt

JUP POLLOCK AVAILABLE B'SEGSON = 185;000 Mt

Projected "B SEASON"

185,000 mt = 50,000/WK = 26 day SEASON

APPARENT POLLOCK SURPLUSED FOR 1988 "B SEASON

1) Ist Quarter DAP SURPLUS

AllocATED = 131,720 mt

Thru Mar 26 - CATCH = 74,000 mt

Next 5 days = 4,000 mt

TOTAL CATCH = 78,000 mt

BALANCE AVAILABLE = 53,720 mt

2 1988 RESERVES

195,000mT

REQUEST FOR B SEASON

UNUSED 15 PV DAP

AVAILABLE RESERVES

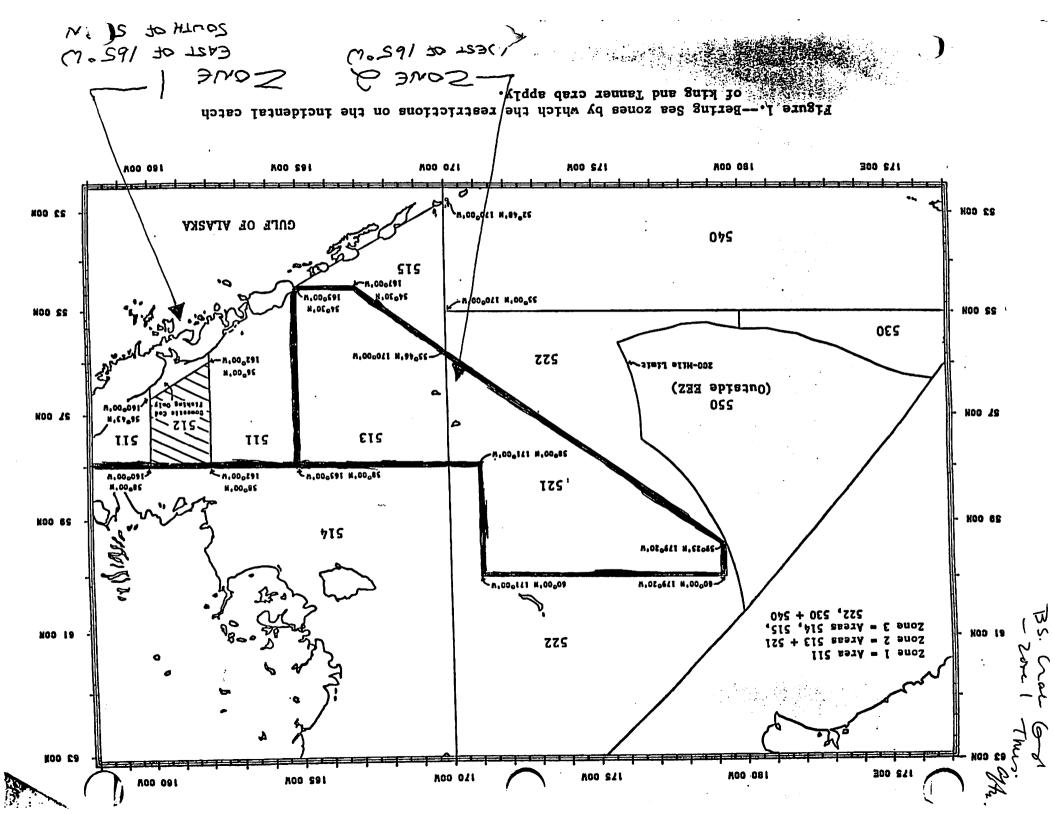
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## Proposed\_DAP\_Flatfish\_Fishery\_in\_Zone\_1

For 25,000 yellowfin sole and other flatfish (YFS/OF)

Fo	r 25,000 yellowfin sole and	other flat	tfish (YFS)	/OF)	
1.	1987 summer trawl survey	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	BSA
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2.	Projected DAP bycatch needs assuming an expected bycatch rate of:				
	(a) 1988 JVP @ .96 crab/mt	24,000			
	(b) at 2 crabs/mt	50,000			
	(c) at 3 crabs/mt	75,000			
3.	Estimated DAP bycatch for 13,726 mt YFS/OF harvested to date by DAP assuming:				
	(a) all from Zone 1 at •96 crab/mt	13,177			
	(b) all from Zone 1 at 2 crabs/mt	27,452			
	(c) all from Zone 1 at 3 crabs/mt	41,178			
4.	Sum of projected DAP needs, estimated DAP bycatch to date and known JVP bycatch to date for Zone 1 assuming	:			
	(a) 1988 JVP @ .96 crab/mt		Est. 13,177 + 9		Total 32,972
	(b) 2 crabs/mt	50,000 +	27,452 + 9	95,795 = 1	73,247
	(c) 3 crabs/mt	75,000 +	41,178 + 9	95,795 = 2	11,973
5.	Three quarters of one percent of <u>C. bairdi</u> population estimate in millions of crabs	Zone 1 2•08	Zone 2 1•94	Zane 3 0.03	
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6. Management decision:
Should bycatch be limited to less than .75 percent of population estimate for <u>C.bairdi</u> conservation purposes?
If so,
is there a total bycatch cap within an acceptable level of risk of biological harm?





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RE: Bycatch in Yellowfin Sole Fishery

Dear Mr. Campbell:

I am writing to report that a number of vessels engaged in the yellowfin sole joint venture fishery which we have been conducting in the Eastern Bering Sea this year were recently boarded and cited by the U.S. Coast Guard for alleged violations of the pollock bycatch regulations which are currently in effect for the area. These regulations prohibit "directed fishing" for pollock by joint venture fishermen during the interval between the first and second pollock joint venture seasons which were imposed on Bering Sea joint ventures for the first time in 1988.

While it would be inappropriate to discuss the merits of our particular case while the NMFS enforcement office is reviewing the matter, I will note that this was the first time any of our vessels have been cited for alleged fishing violations in almost seven years of joint venture operations. We take these regulations very seriously and we were conducting our operations in a way which we felt was perfectly consistent with the spirit and intent of the regulations which are currently in effect. Unfortunately, the U.S. Coast Guard boarding officers did not agree, and they issued citations to a number of the vessels engaged in our joint venture operation. We understand that most of the other joint venture operations have had difficulty understanding the regulations as well, and that there has been considerable confusion over their applicability.

This incident underscores, in our view, the need for a clear, concise, well-defined and easily applied definition of "directed fishery" as that term is used in the FMP and regulations. The definition should take into account the relationship between target and bycatch species in the various fisheries and recognize that in

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some of those fisheries (such as flatfish) it is quite difficult to avoid a relatively high bycatch of other species (e.g., pollock). We are aware of the fact that the Council has grappled with this issue before and that the Bycatch Committed is presently trying to devise workable definitions of "directed catch" versus "bycatch." We have been and will continue to work with that committee in an effort to develop a rational approach to this very difficult issue. In the meantime, any guidance which the Council can give as to its intentions in this area would be helpful as we try to plan our future operations in a way which will avoid a reoccurrence of the recent difficulties.

Several of our fishermen will be in attendance at next week's Regional Council meeting and will be available to discuss these issues with you and the rest of the Council if that would be helpful.

Sincerely,

NORTHERN DEEP SEA FISHERIES, INC.

Peter Block President

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