

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Report to the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council

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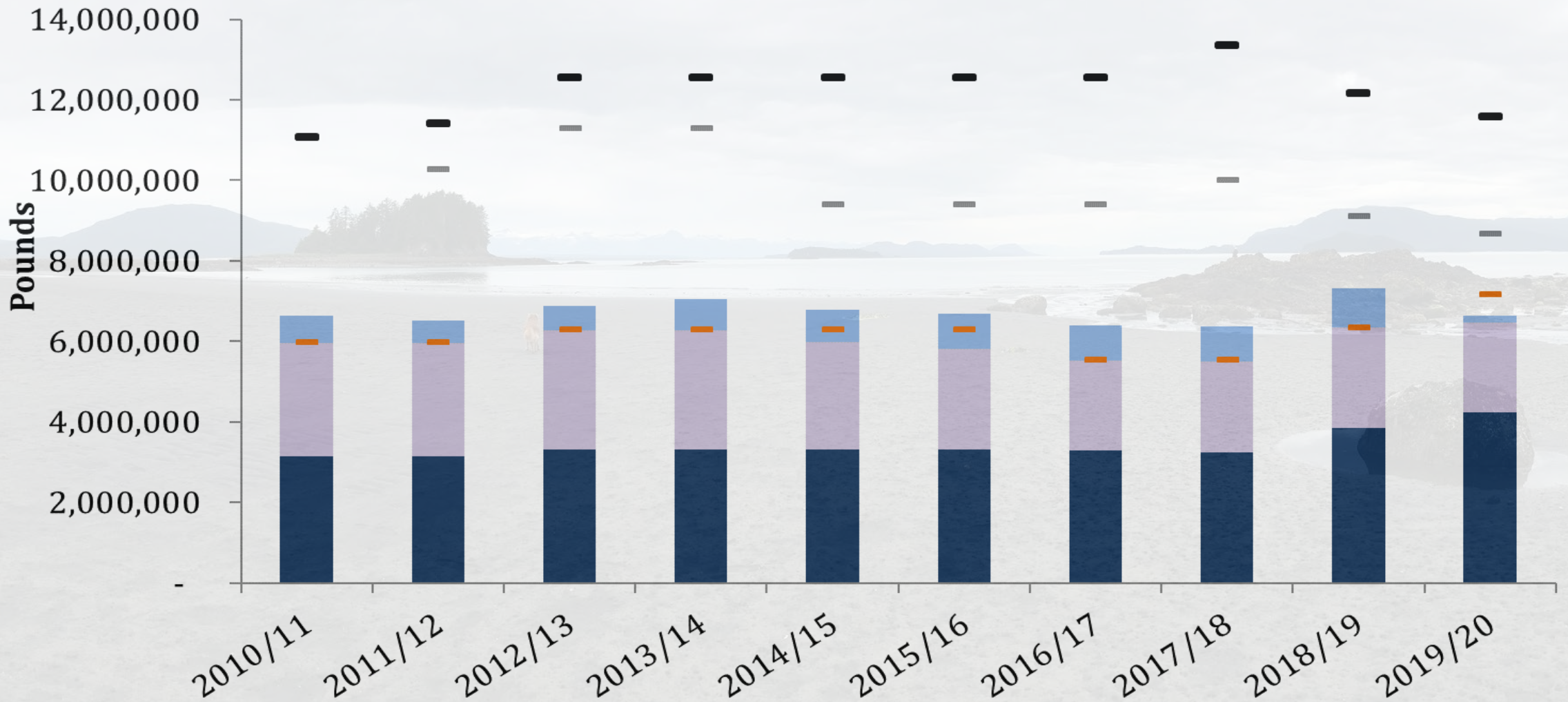
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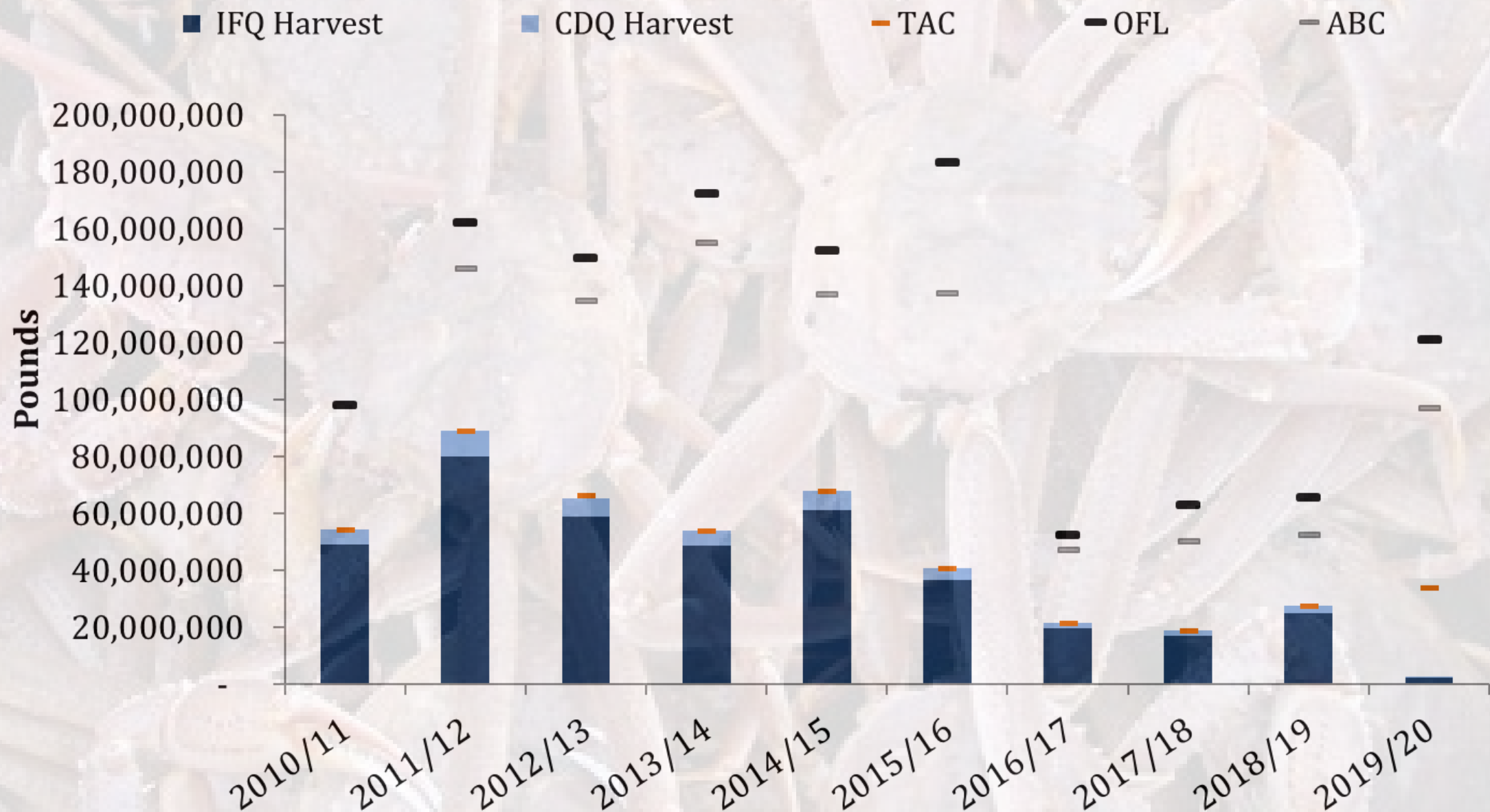


Aleutian Islands Golden King Crab

■ East IFQ/CDQ (catch) ■ West IFQ/ACA ■ Other removals — TAC — ABC — OFL



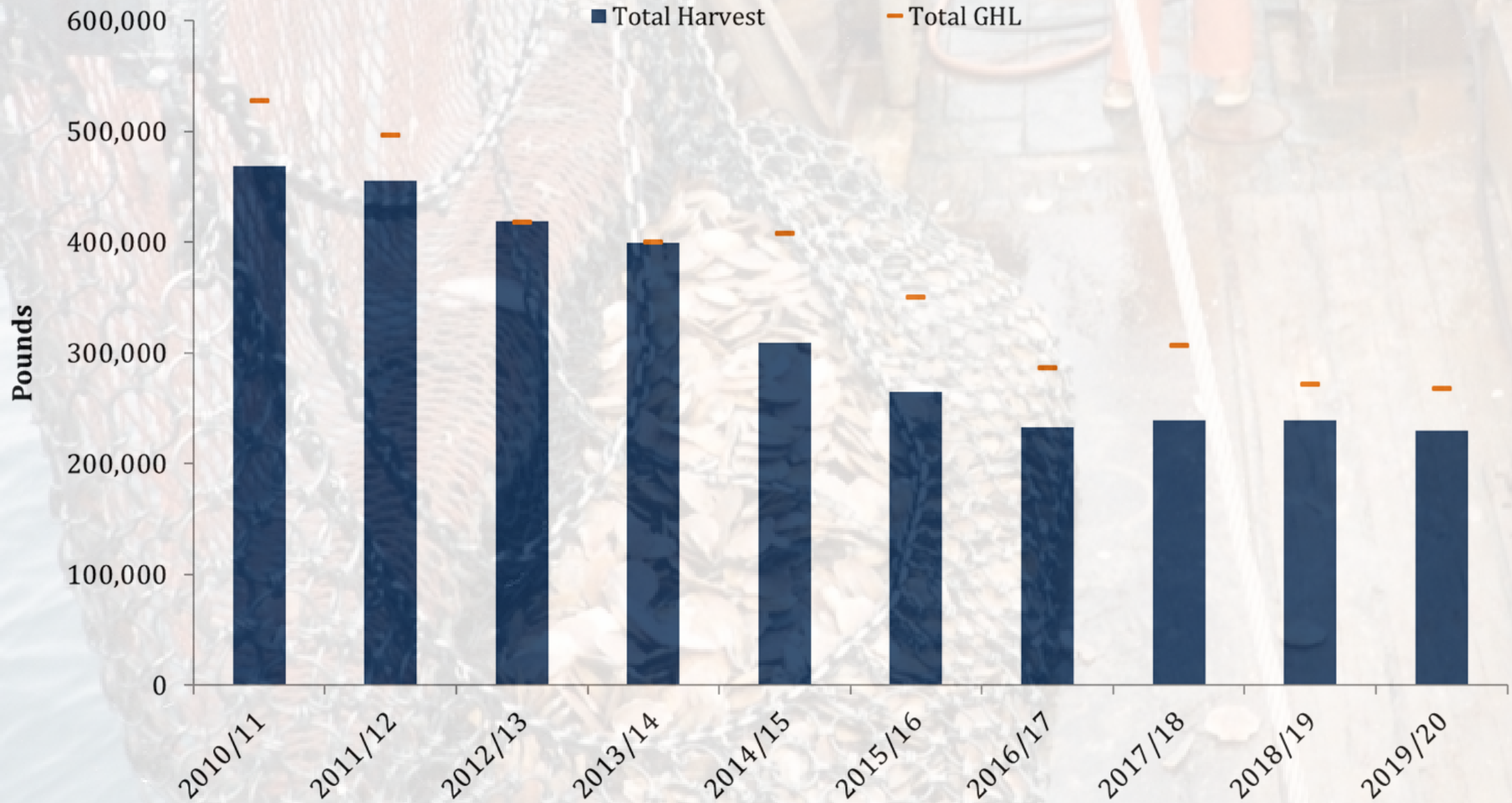
Bering Sea Snow Crab Harvest



2019/20 Alaska Weathervane Scallop Guideline Harvest and Crab Bycatch Levels

Registration Area	District/Management Unit	GHL (pounds of shucked meat)	Bycatch Limits (number of crab)	
			Tanner Crab	King Crab
Yakutat		155,000	N/A	N/A
Prince William Sound	East Kayak Subsection	<i>Closed for the 2019/20 season</i>	N/A	N/A
	West Kayak Subsection	<i>Closed for the 2019/20 season</i>	N/A	N/A
Cook Inlet	Kamishak Bay District	<i>Closed for the 2019/20 season</i>	N/A	N/A
Kodiak	Northeast District	15,000	9,000	25
	Shelikof District	20,000	10,000	25
	Southwest District	35,000	17,500	25
	Southeast District	15,000	9,000	25
	Semidi Islands District ¹	<i>Exploratory Area (Commissioner's Permit)</i>		
Alaska Peninsula	160° to 161° W. long	7,500	3,750	25
	Unimak Bight ¹	7,500	7,500	25
Dutch Harbor	Bering Sea waters	5,000	5,000	10
	Pacific Ocean waters	<i>Closed for the 2019/20 season</i>	N/A	N/A
Bering Sea		7,500	65,000	500
			<i>C.opilio & hybrids</i>	
			300,000	
¹ Commissioner's Permit required to harvest scallops in these areas.				

Statewide Scallop Harvest



State Water Pacific Cod Guideline Harvest Level

State Management Area	ABC and GHL percentage in regulation		2020 GHL as percent of ABC	Gear	2020 GHL (mt)	Opening Date
Prince William Sound	EGOA - 25%		16%	Jig/Pot	30	2/1/2020
				Longline	169	2/1/2020
Chignik	CGOA - 25%	8.75%	16%	Jig	48	1/1/2020
				Pot	433	3/1/2020
Kodiak		12.50%		Jig	344	1/1/2020
				Pot	344	2/24/2020
Cook Inlet		3.75%		Jig	31	1/1/2020
				Pot	175	2/1/2020
South Alaska Peninsula	WGOA - 30%		20%	Jig	145	1/1/2020
				Pot	821	3/7/2020
Dutch Harbor Subdistrict	Bering Sea - 9%		NA	Jig	45	5/1/2020
			9%	Pot	14,028	1/26/2020
Aleutian Islands Subdistrict*	Aleutian Islands - 34%		33%	All	6,804	**

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Lower Cook Inlet Groundfish: December 10-13, 2019 in Seward

Designated the Aleutian Islands Subdistrict an exclusive registration area for Pacific cod.

Kodiak Finfish: January 11-14, 2020 in Kodiak

Changed the federal Pacific cod fishery closing date triggers previously used to open the Aleutian Islands Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery and changed the pot vessel length restrictions.

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Statewide King and Tanner: March 7-11, 2020 in Anchorage

PROPOSAL 261 Adopt a new Bering Sea Tanner crab harvest strategy.

PROPOSAL 262 Modify the Bering Sea *C. opilio* harvest strategy definition of “exploited legal males”.

PROPOSAL 263 Allow retention of incidentally harvested Bering Sea District *C. bairdi* during directed a *C. opilio* season.

PROPOSAL 265 Update Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands crab registration regulations.

PROPOSAL 266 Change the season dates for the Registration Area O golden king crab fishery from July 15 – April 30 to March 1 – October 31.

PROPOSAL 268 Allow gear transfers to be authorized by electronic mail.

PROPOSAL 271 Specify marine safety requirements for fishing vessels carrying observers.

PROPOSAL 273 Amend the season dates for king crab in the Northern Norton Sound Section.

Questions?

