



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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October 7, 2026

Ms. Diana Evans, Executive Director
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
1007 West 3rd Ave., Suite 400 L92 Building, 4th floor
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Ms. Evans:

I have approved Amendment 129 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area (BSAI) and Amendment 58 to the Fishery Management Plan for Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands King and Tanner Crabs [RIN 0648-BO21]. These amendments eliminate Economic Data Report submission requirements for participants in the BSAI Crab Rationalization Program and Amendment 80 Program.

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) published a Notice of Availability (NOA) for Amendments 129 and 58 in the Federal Register on July 17, 2026 (91 FR 44797), with public comments invited through September 15, 2026. A proposed rule to implement Amendments 129 and 58 is expected to publish in the future.

I appreciate the Council's continued dedication to sustainable fisheries management in the North Pacific Region. Please contact Richard Brenner at (907) 266-1157 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Kurland".

Jonathan M. Kurland
Regional Administrator

