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RE: C6 Pelagic Trawl Gear Definition – Initial Review

Mid- water Pelagic Trawl Gear should be exactly as described: The net should never touch the sea floor bottom to catch crab or halibut, or other sea bottom species. Trawlers that destroy higher dollar bottom species such as Crab or Halibut, to harvest what most deem as undesirable fish made into fish paste surimi, needs to stop. Either impose high Fines for By-catch, or write checks to those of us IFQ holders, for every pound Trawlers destroy. Kevin Suyda