

September 30, 2020

Dear Chairman Kinneen,

The amount of Halibut bycatch in the Bering Sea is unacceptable. Halibut bycatch caps were set when halibut were more abundant and caps must now be reduced, and tied to halibut abundance. Halibut has tremendous cultural, recreational and economic value to Alaskans and to people from the lower 48 who travel to Alaska to fish or who enjoy eating halibut at home or in restaurants. Unless bycatch caps are reduced, those who depend on the halibut resource will continue to pay the cost of bycatch and bear the full brunt of conserving the halibut resource at low levels of abundance. The Council has a mandated responsibility to reduce bycatch and to provide for fishery dependent communities. Please take responsibility for the halibut resource and all who depend on it by reducing bycatch caps and tying future caps to halibut abundance.

Sincerely,

The Below Signed:

Jim	Dunbar	Craig, AK	I've owned halibut IFQ for 20+ years and depend on it for my income.
Sharon	Wolkoff	Kodiak, AK	Personal use
Mike	Yanak	Sitka, AK	Charter Operator/owner
Gustave	Chagnard	Slidell, LA	commercial captain/ crew member
Shelley	Yanak	Sitka, AK	Charter
William	Hartley	Ketchikan, AK	charter operator, Personal
Chad	Schaefer	Soldotna, AK	Personal use
Jordan	Stover	Homer, AK	Captain/crew
Ron	Moyer	Ketchikan, AK	lodge owner
Frederick	Phillips	Sitka, AK	IFQ holder, Captain, crew, personal use.
Victor	Melovidov	Anchorage, AK	Subsistence - Crew Member
Jeffrey	Philemonoff	Anchorage, AK	Commercial captain, crewman
Roger	Register	Houston, AK	Concerned consumer.
Scott	Adams	Homer, AK	IFQ Holder, Commercial Captain, Personal
Mike	Ferris	Kodiak, AK	Commercial crew/ captain Boat owner
Amy	Hankins	Seward, AK	Commercial Boat Owner

Chris	Hanna	Soldotna, AK	Charter operator
Crystal	DeSpain	Ward Cove, AK	Personal use
Lindsey	Bloom	Juneau, AK	Personal Use
Linda	Behnken	Sitka, AK	IFQ holder
James	Johnson	Seattle, WA	Commercial skippers and crew
Ean	Tubbs	Anchorage, AK	Personal Use
Jordan	Stover	Homer, AK	Crew
Mary	Derry	Soldotna, AK	Personal use, necessary food
Teresa	Storch	Kodiak, AK	Retired commercial fisher
Travis	Hall	Homer, AK	Commercial captain
Arthur	Bloom	Juneau, AK	IFQ Holder, Commercial Captain, Personal Use
Gene	Perkins	Ketchikan, AK	Charter operator
Vicki	Duggin	Kenai, AK	Personal use
Dana	Chatterley	Sterling, AK	Personal use
Alexandria	Troxell	Kodiak, AK	Personal User
Kristine	Hutchin	Eagle River, AK	We use halibut for meals
Nicholas	Troxell	Kodiak, AK	Commercial Crew, Personal user
Russell	Cockrum	Ketchikan, AK	Ifq holder
Emily	Fehrenbacher	Oswego, IL	Personal use
Burke	Bohnsack	Juneau, AK	Commercial crew
Joshua	Vantrease	Anchorage, AK	Subsistence
Mike	Yanak	Sitka, AK	Charter Operator
Verner	Wilson III	Dillingham, AK	Personal use
Tom	Pittman	Juneau, AK	Commercial crew and personal use.
Marsh	Skeele	Sitka, AK	Processor/direct marketer
Sharon	Hart	Port Hadlock, WA	I am a lifelong commercial fisherman in Alaska
Luke	Short	Petersburg, AK	Subsistence fisherman now that I'm 70.
Rich	Yanak	Puyallup, WA	Personal use
Chandra	Poe	Anchorage, AK	Personal Use
Charlie	Kaplan-Pettus	Anchorage, AK	Commercial crew
Scott	Jouppi	Juneau, AK	Personal use
Samantha	Hendrickson	Government Camp, OR	Consumer, fisherman
Rory	Tanner	Ninilchik, AK	Sport and commercial processing
Paul	Fleenor	Homer, AK	Personal use
Robert	Gardiner	Olympia, WA	Charter Captain
Nazary I	Basargin	Homer, AK	Holder, Commercial Captain.
Mike	File	Petersburg, AK	ifq holder, captain, crew
Gordon	Taylor	Juneau, AK	Personal use.

Kelly	Cooper	Homer, AK	Personal Use
Aaron	Miller	Petersburg, AK	Commercial Captain, and Personal Use
Paul	Cahill	Bend, OR	Personal use
Lyle	Titus	Eagle, ID	I was a commercial fisherman and charter operator/captain in Alaska .
Joe	Winter	Reno, NV	I eat fish ??
Matthew	Faris	Soldotna, AK	Charter operator and personal use
Al	Carlson	Craig, AK	Personal use
Ericka	Reynolds	Kenai, AK	Commercial fisherman/ resident of Bristol bay
David	Johnson	Sitka, AK	Subsistence
David	Kelley	Henderson, NV	I'm a fisherman from the lower 48 who makes annual fishing trips to Alaska.
Konrad	Schaad	Homer, AK	personal use
George	Bateman	Spokane, WA	Personal use
Thomas	Finger	Kenai, AK	Sport fisherman
Everett	Athorp	Klawock, AK	crew/charter operations
Charles	Bingham	Sitka, AK	50-year Alaska resident, sport fish
Iris	Currey	Sterling, AK	Yup'ik woman who relies on subsistence to survive
Raymond	Douville	Craig, AK	IFQ holder, Commercial Captain, Personal Use
Shane	Martin	Haines, AK	IFQ Holder
Arseny	Polushkin	Homer, AK	Commercial Captain, Personal Use.
Everett	Thompson	Naknek, AK	CDQ captain/harvester
Nicole	Kastern	Shakopee, MN	Alaskan born and raised
Byron	Whitesides	Ketchikan, AK	Personal use 72 year Alaska resident born here when it was a territory.
David	Putnam	Centre Hall, PA	charter several boats each year at at a cost of \$700. Add in air fare,
Kathleen	Myers	King Salmon, AK	Crew
Gary	Micheal	Douglas, AK	Personal use fisherman
John	Skeele	Sitka, AK	commercial captain, ifq holder
Stephanie	Duncan	Salem - Keizer, OR	Personal
Nancy	Behnken	Sitka, AK	IFQ permit holder and vessel owner/captain
Sommers	Cole	Juneau, AK	Longline Crew, Personal Use
Linda	Rabideau	Anchorage, AK	purchase it at market
William	Easton	Homer, AK	Personal use
Allen	Tigert	Anchor Point, AK	Sport Fishing for personal use.
Joel	Doner	Anchorage, AK	IFQ holder
Susan	Nickerson	Battle Ground, WA	I was born and raised in Alaska and my parents fished halibut.
Brian	Ritchie	Homer, AK	Charter Owner/Operator

Harvey	Kolberg	Palmer, AK	Charter Operator, HARV's Alaskan Charters
Zed	Blue	Bellingham, WA	Commercial Captain
Thomas	Cappiello	Palmer, AK	Eater
Barbara	Wishingrad	Santa Barbara, CA	I fished for halibut when I visited Alaska and hope to do it again.
Romeo	Stefan	Seward, AK	Charter Owner/Operator
Vincent	Jameson	Ferndale, WA	Alaskan native
Jo	Malamute	Koyukuk, AK	I am a subsistence hunter and survive off the land.
Tim	Bristol	Homer, AK	resident sport angler
Josephus	Govaars	Ketchikan, AK	CHP Permit Operator/Owner
Richard	Hayes	Madison, AL	Charter operator
Sam	Rich	Seattle, WA	Personal use
Carol	Bordin	Anacortes, WA	I'm a Citizen of the USA & I have a Right To Speak on behalf of Halibut!
Joseph	Notti	Fairbanks, AK	Personal, Former Fishermen
Fred	Larson	Anchorage, AK	Sport Fisherman
Lowry	Brott	Wasilla, AK	Personal use
Frank	Casey	Clam Gulch, AK	Charter operator owner
Gary	Ault	Homer, AK	Charter operator
Michael	Welemin	Cooper Landing, AK	personal use
Mark	Ortega	Daly City, CA	Personal use
Roark	Brown	Homer, AK	Charter operator
Christa	Jones	Coppell, TX	Personal use
Jessica	Hanna	Sterling, AK	Personal Use
Joel	Doner	Anchorage, AK	Halibut IFQ holder
Abigail	Hanna	Soldotna, AK	Personal use and my Dad is a Captain
Jeffry	Young	Eagle River, AK	Personal Use
Andre	Lovett	Homer, AK	I run a charter fishing business in Homer Alaska.
Peter	Thompson	Kodiak, AK	IFQ holder
Amy	Profit	Spirit Lake, IA	Personal Use
Eric	Osborne	Nome, AK	Commercial Captain
Aron	Schrepfer	Palmer, AK	Personal Use
William	Hankins	Seward, AK	I'm a owner operator of the FV Chandalar out of Seward Ak.
Arthur	Book	Spring Hill, FL	Personal use
Jeffrey	Philemonoff	Anchorage, AK	Captain/crewman