

# B4 NPFMC OLE REPORT

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# OPERATIONS – CANADIAN BORDER A/B LINE

- Participants: OLE, AWT
- June, SE Alaska
  - Including Canadian Maritime Boundary
- Multiple Patrols: 20 Fishing Vessels boarded
- 10 Violations detected included:
  - Fishing without permit in controlled area, Recordkeeping & Reporting, Improperly Marked/Illegal Gear/Too many lines, Improperly licensed
  - SAR/Recovery of person overboard



# OPERATIONS – COOK INLET

- Participants – OLE, AWT, USCG
- Cook Inlet
- June 20-Aug 15th: 42 Fishing Vessels boarded on 15 openers
- 42 boardings conducted, 46 Federal Violations detected
  - Primarily R&R
  - 5 each no SFFP and no VMS
  - 1 fishing in Fed and State waters in the same day
  - 1 fishing Fed waters on a closed day
  - 10 Chinook retained not reported until after discovery
- Outreach/Education Meetings:
  - 3 outreach meetings conducted with industry and public. Partner presenters were SF and RAM



# CASE UPDATES

- F/V Vanguard Owner Vanguard Fisheries, LLC and Operator Per Hesberg were charged jointly and severally under the Magnuson-Stevens Act with fishing with, and having on board, nonpelagic trawl gear in Federal reporting areas open only to pelagic trawl gear; not complying with vessel monitoring system (VMS) requirements; and inaccurate reporting.
- F/V Dark Knight Owner, Operator, and Permit Holder Dionisy Basargin was charged under the Magnuson-Stevens Act with failing to comply with VMS requirements and under the Northern Pacific Halibut Act with violating IPHC Area 4 clearance requirements.
- F/V America's Finest Owner America's Finest Fishing, LLC, was charged under the Magnuson-Stevens Act with directed fishing for groundfish with trawl gear in the Nearshore Bristol Bay Trawl Area when that area was closed to trawling.
- C/P Arica As previously reported, Assistant Cook Jordan St. Martin was charged under the Magnuson-Stevens Act with harassing and sexually harassing two female observers on board a vessel.



# OUTREACH AND EDUCATION

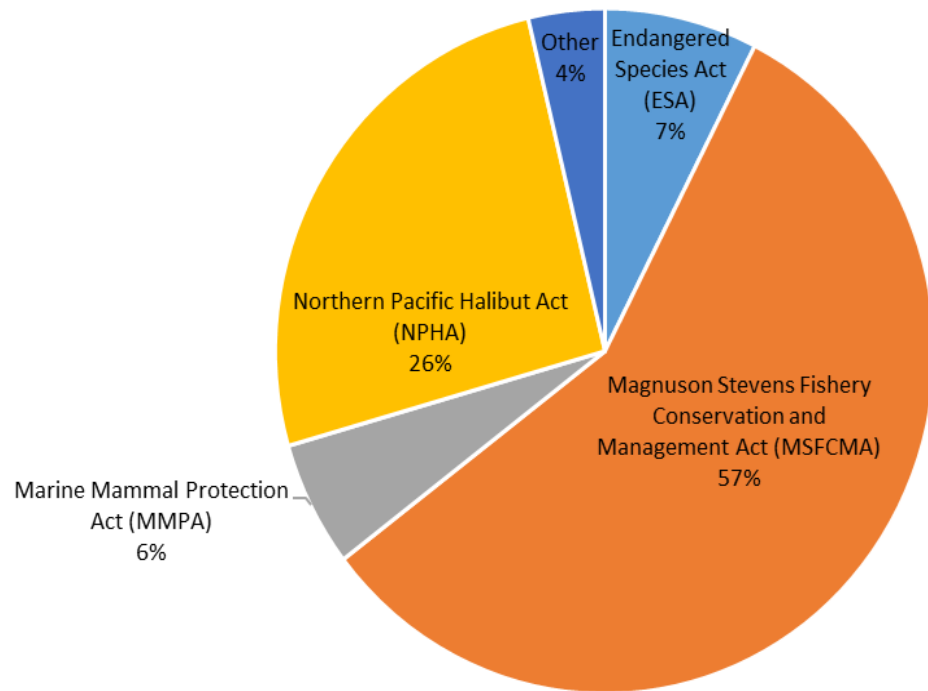
Since March 2024, OLE:

- Attended and presented at 10 outreach and educational events
- Hosted or attended 10 meetings with various stakeholder/industry groups
- Attended 3 multi-National/multi-Agency enforcement events and provided instruction/presentations.



# INCIDENTS BY LAW/REGULATIONS/PROGRAM

Incidents by Law/Regulations/Program

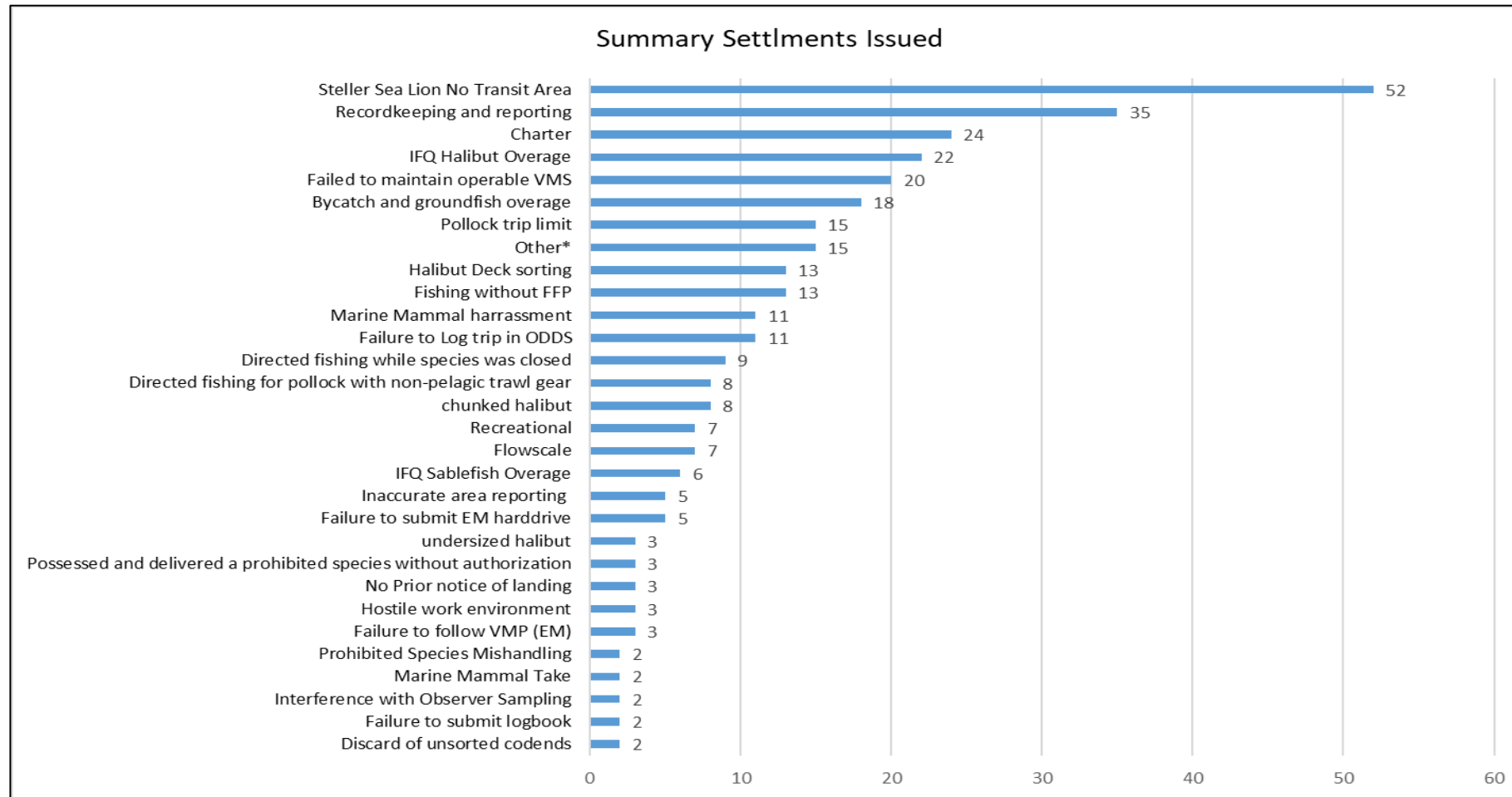


In FY24, NOAA officers and agents opened 1599 incidents.

- 913 Magnuson Stevens Act
- 411 Northern Pacific Halibut Act
- 120 Endangered Species Act
- 95 Marine Mammal Protection Act
- 60 regarding other statutes and regulations



# SUMMARY SETTLEMENT COUNTS



# OBSERVER PROGRAM STATUS OF STATEMENTS

Statements	Incidents	Statuses of ASSIGNED
848 statements received and reviewed in FY2024; 105 of these did not document an actual violation (no incident created in Case Management System)	691 statements were forwarded to agents and officers (plus 52 not yet assigned); 295 unique incidents created	101 Ongoing (315 statements)
		16 Forwarded for prosecution (46 statements)
		12 Written Warnings issued (16 statements)
		27 Summary Settlements issued (84 statements)
		40 Compliance Assistance Provided (100 statements)
		7 Closed - Referred to another Agency (15 statements)
		92 Closed - No OLE Action (167 statements)





QUESTIONS?



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