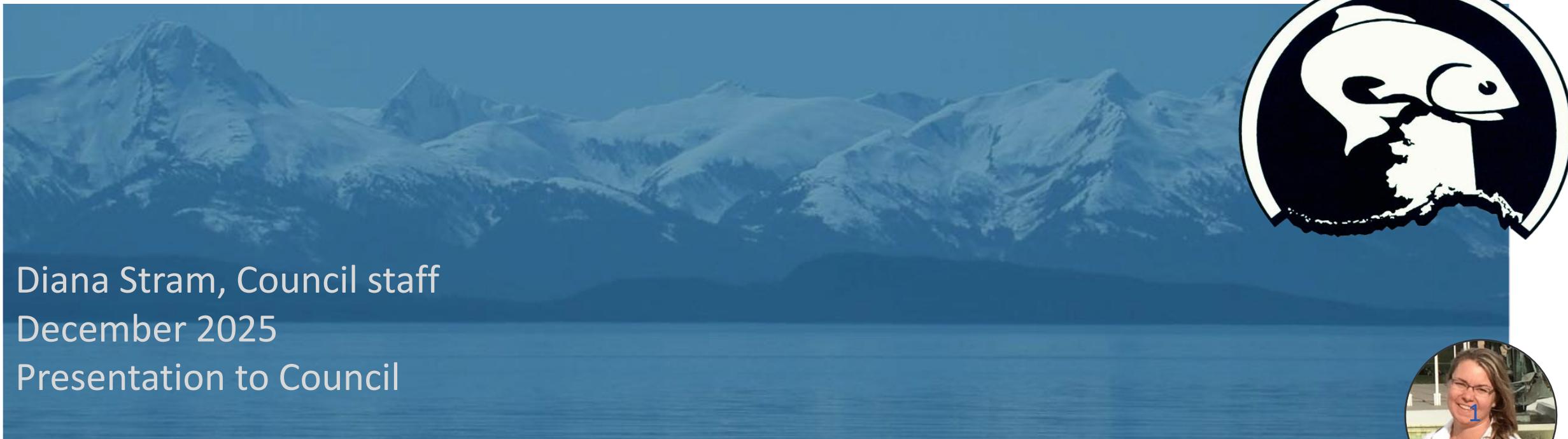


# C5 Bering Sea Aleutian Islands Groundfish Specifications



Diana Stram, Council staff  
December 2025  
Presentation to Council

## Outline of presentation

- Brief review of information available in this specifications process and stock status/survey information
- Actions for the Council for final 2026-2027 specifications
  - Set TACs for 2026-2027
  - Set Flatfish reserves for 2026-2027
  - Set PSC limits and apportionments for 2026-2027
  - Set DMRs for 2026-2027

# 2025 planned BSAI Documentation Summary

Assessment	BSAI stocks for 2025 (November)
Operational Full	EBS Pollock, Yellowfin Sole, Greenland Turbot, Northern Rockfish, BSAI Skates
Operational Update	Pacific cod (Eastern Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands (AI))
Harvest Projection (reviewed in Sept/Oct)	None this year
Catch Report	Pollock (AI), Pollock (Bogoslof), Arrowtooth flounder, Kamchatka flounder, Northern rock sole, Flathead, Alaska plaice, Other flatfish, Pacific ocean perch, Rougheye & blackspotted rockfish, Shortraker rockfish, Other rockfish, Atka mackerel, Sharks, Octopus

## Process 2026-2027: available information to inform final specifications

- No new SAFE reports for 2025 due to federal shutdown
- 2024 SAFE Reports, previous SAFE Reports, ESRs, ESPs, associated information
  - September 2025 Plan Team, October 2025 SSC Review
  - Recommendations for proposed harvest specifications
- Catch reports for all stocks
- Limited survey information

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### **C5 BSAI Groundfish Specifications for 2026 and 2027 – adopt TAC/ABC/OFLs**

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# Brief review of 2025 EBS/NBS survey highlights and overall BSAI stock status



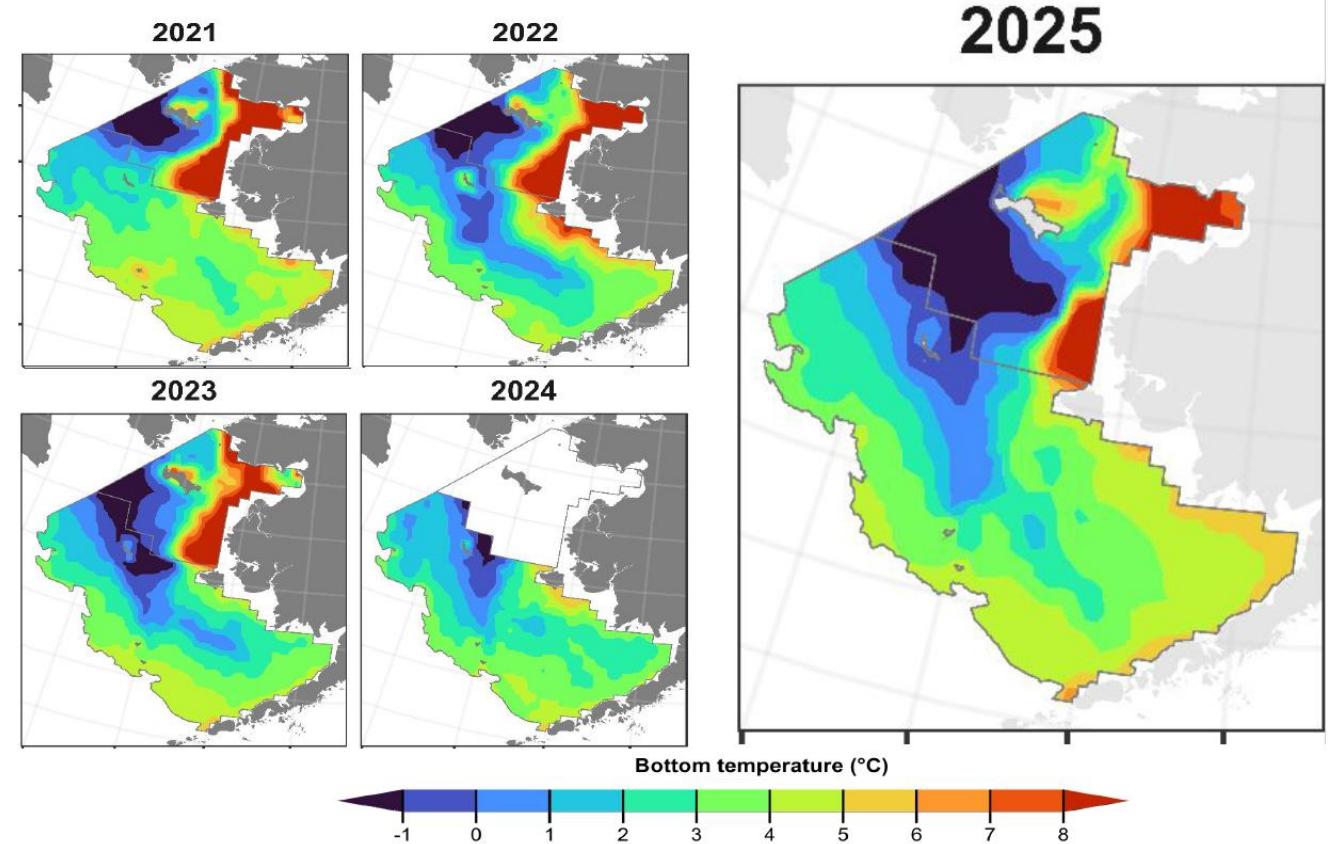
# EBS trawl survey (note additional slides are posted to eAgenda from September Plan Team with updated EBS NBS slides)

- **Highlights:**

- Survey methods update and standard data collections
- Cold pool similar to 2022 in extent but colder and below average
- Fish biomass generally down relative to 2022

- **Discussion:**

- NBS survey was still being processed at time of Plan Team presentation (but appended to eAgenda version of survey presentation)



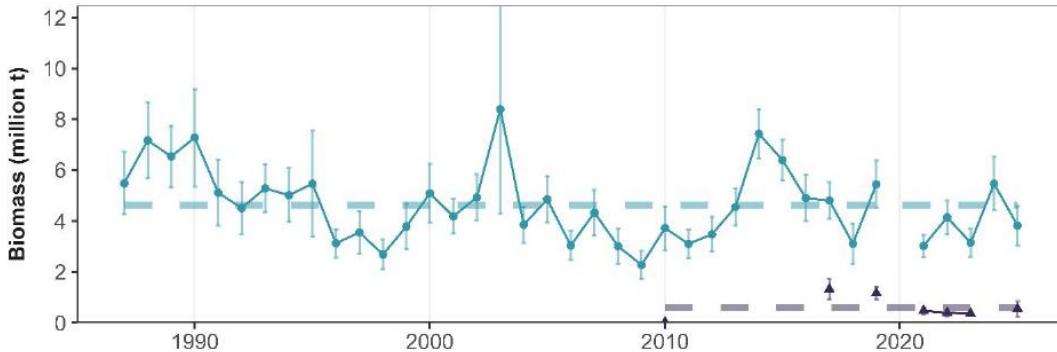
# Eastern Bering Sea Trawl Survey

- EBS 350/350, NBS 137/144 stations sampled
- 124,170 lengths, 6,532 otoliths, 4,408 stomachs collected
- Water temps slightly warmer than 2024, cold pool area smaller, no CTD or O2 data
- Biomass similar to last year for most fish species, lots of small Pacific cod

Thanks to Duane Stevenson and  
EBS Trawl survey team

Common name	Year	Biomass (mt)	Population (x1,000)
<b>walleye pollock</b>	2024	5,476,067	10,307,932
	2025	3,825,362 (-30%)	6,575,619 (-36%)
<b>Pacific cod</b>	2024	635,840	436,530
	2025	570,986 (-10%)	516,669 (18%)
<b>yellowfin sole</b>	2024	1,503,618	5,643,105
	2025	1,548,142 (3%)	5,772,913 (2%)
<b>northern rock sole</b>	2024	1,439,739	7,417,950
	2025	1,490,955 (4%)	7,807,291 (5%)
<b>flathead sole</b>	2024	723,996	2,311,092
	2025	714,106 (-1%)	2,278,779 (-1%)
<b>Bering flounder</b>	2024	10,370	48,918
	2025	12,315 (19%)	72,799 (49%)
<b>Alaska plaice</b>	2024	349,579	634,036
	2025	333,810 (-5%)	586,292 (-8%)
<b>arrowtooth flounder</b>	2024	582,469	926,415
	2025	491,918 (-16%)	669,870 (-28%)
<b>Kamchatka flounder</b>	2024	28,362	69,129
	2025	33,231 (17%)	73,058 (6%)
<b>Pacific halibut</b>	2024	125,145	65,136
	2025	133,705 (7%)	80,524 (24%)
<b>Alaska skate</b>	2024	407,133	102,931
	2025	399,887 (-2%)	113,374 (10%)
<b>Pacific ocean perch</b>	2024	50,664	71,612
	2025	11,741 (-77%)	12,420 (-83%)

## EBS pollock



### EBS Biomass

Mean: 4.6 M

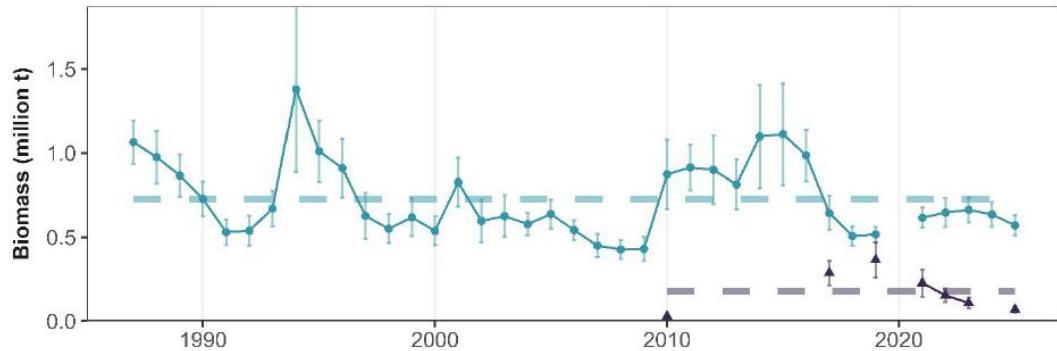
2025: 3.8 M (-30% from 2024)

### NBS Biomass

Mean: 600 K

2025: 548 K (+51% from 2023)

## EBS Pacific cod



### EBS Biomass

Mean: 700 K

2025: 571 K (-10% from 2024)

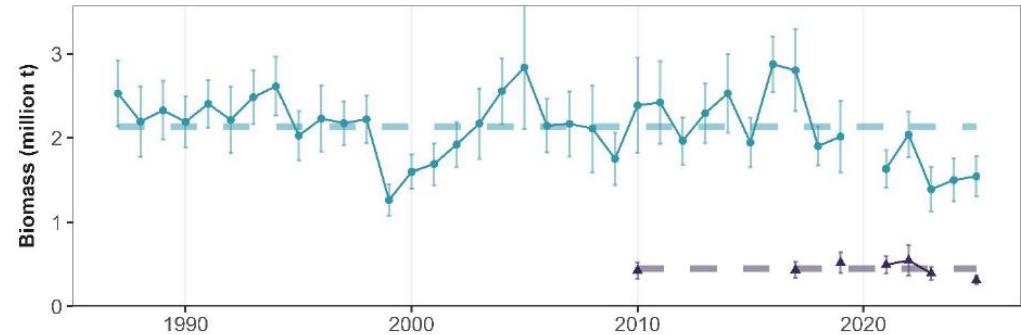
### NBS Biomass

Mean: 200 K

2025: 69 K (-36% from 2023)

All 3 stocks  
above  $B_{MSY}$

## Yellowfin sole



### EBS Biomass

Mean: 2.1 M

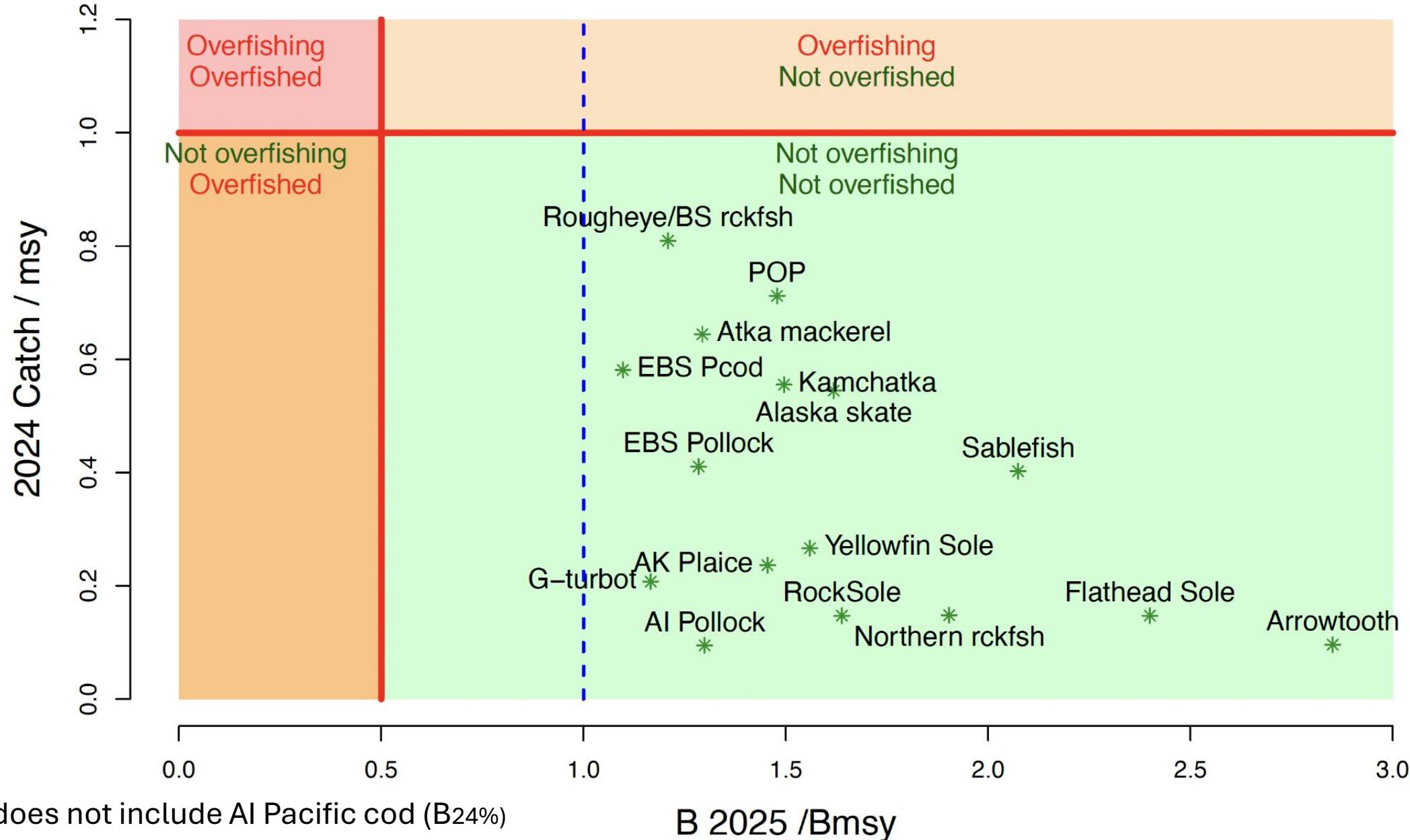
2025: 1.5 M (+3% from 2024)

### NBS Biomass

Mean: 400 K

2025: 312 K (-21% from 2023)

## Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands



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## ACTION ITEMS FOR THE COUNCIL FOR BSAI SPECIFICATIONS:

### ACTION 1- RECOMMEND TACS FOR 2026-2027:

## Set Cod and Sablefish TACs to consider State Waters fisheries

### BS cod, AI cod

BS GHL = 13% of ABC +45 t to Area O]  
AI GHL = 31% of ABC [change from 35%]

Note that AI GHL change is not included in proposed TACs

### BS Sablefish, AI Sablefish

State waters GHL set at 5% of the combined BS and AI ABC in 2026 and 2027

Based on the 2025 GHL fishery most of the catch in 2026-2027 expected to occur in State waters adjacent to the federal BS subarea therefore AP may consider recommending that the BS TACs account for the reduction due to State waters GHLs



**Table 1. Harvest specifications for BSAI Groundfish for 2026 and 2027**

pre-meeting DRAFT, November 2025

Species	Area	2024			Catch through 12/31/24	2025			Catch through 11/8/25	2026			2027		
		OFL	ABC	TAC		OFL	ABC	TAC		OFL	ABC	TAC	OFL	ABC	TAC
<b>Pollock</b>	BS	3,162,000	2,313,000	1,313,580	1,311,261	2,957,000	2,417,000	1,389,000	1,324,556	2,496,000	2,036,000	1,375,000	2,496,000	2,036,000	1,375,000
	AI	51,516	42,654	5,420	4,993	55,728	46,051	5,000	4,527	56,231	46,437	19,000	56,231	46,437	19,000
	Bogoslof	115,146	86,360	250	23	77,354	58,015	250	63	77,354	58,015	250	77,354	58,015	250
<b>Pacific cod</b>	BS	200,995	167,952	147,753	142,783	183,509	153,617	133,602	111,227	169,243	141,520	123,077	169,243	141,520	123,077
	AI	18,416	12,431	8,080	4,169	16,782	13,376	8,694	4,608	16,273	12,973	8,433	16,273	12,973	8,433
<b>Sablefish</b>	BSAI/GOA	55,084	47,146	n/a	6,333	58,532	47,605	n/a	4,672	57,797	47,008	n/a	57,797	47,008	n/a
	BS	n/a	11,450	7,996	4,591	n/a	13,203	8,496	3,751	n/a	13,037	8,996	n/a	13,037	8,996
	AI	n/a	13,100	8,440	1,742	n/a	11,566	7,940	921	n/a	11,421	7,440	n/a	11,421	7,440
<b>Yellowfin sole</b>	BSAI	305,298	265,913	195,000	91,192	299,247	262,557	135,000	80,971	305,039	267,639	145,000	305,039	267,639	145,000
<b>Greenland turbot</b>	BSAI	3,705	3,188	3,188	768	2,598	1,678	1,678	618	2,059	1,328	1,328	2,059	1,328	1,328
	BS	n/a	2,687	2,687	462	n/a	1,415	1,415	406	n/a	1,120	1,120	n/a	1,120	1,120
	AI	n/a	501	501	305	n/a	263	263	212	n/a	208	208	n/a	208	208
<b>Arrowtooth flounder</b>	BSAI	103,280	87,690	14,000	10,660	104,428	88,683	14,000	9,024	102,472	87,035	14,000	102,472	87,035	14,000
<b>Kamchatka flounder</b>	BSAI	8,850	7,498	7,498	5,157	8,019	6,800	6,800	5,038	7,790	6,606	6,606	7,790	6,606	6,606
<b>Northern rock sole</b>	BSAI	197,828	122,091	66,000	29,855	165,444	157,487	75,000	39,947	166,220	158,225	75,000	166,220	158,225	75,000
<b>Flathead sole</b>	BSAI	81,605	67,289	35,500	13,176	101,621	83,807	36,000	8,432	106,283	87,700	36,000	106,283	87,700	36,000
<b>Alaska plaice</b>	BSAI	42,695	35,494	21,752	10,399	34,576	28,745	15,903	6,947	33,965	28,230	16,200	33,965	28,230	16,200
<b>Other flatfish</b>	BSAI	22,919	17,189	4,500	3,197	26,083	19,562	4,500	5,353	26,083	19,562	4,500	26,083	19,562	4,500
<b>Pacific Ocean perch</b>	BSAI	49,010	41,096	37,626	37,096	44,594	37,375	33,458	31,852	43,084	36,578	33,490	43,084	36,578	33,490
	BS	n/a	11,636	11,636	11,746	n/a	10,121	10,121	9,483	n/a	9,905	9,905	n/a	9,905	9,905
	EAI	n/a	7,969	7,969	7,792	n/a	6,278	6,278	6,003	n/a	6,144	6,144	n/a	6,144	6,144
	CAI	n/a	5,521	5,521	5,250	n/a	5,559	5,559	4,803	n/a	5,441	5,441	n/a	5,441	5,441
	WAI	n/a	15,970	12,500	12,308	n/a	15,417	11,500	11,363	n/a	15,088	12,000	n/a	15,088	12,000
<b>Northern rockfish</b>	BSAI	23,556	19,274	16,752	8,809	22,848	18,694	12,000	8,014	22,284	18,232	12,000	22,284	18,232	12,000
<b>Blackspotted/Rouge hege Rockfish</b>	BSAI	761	569	569	639	838	706	706	642	902	766	766	902	766	766
	BS/EAI	n/a	388	388	201	n/a	408	408	224	n/a	441	441	n/a	441	441
	CAI/WAI	n/a	181	181	439	n/a	298	298	418	n/a	325	325	n/a	325	325
<b>Shortraker rockfish</b>	BSAI	706	530	530	177	631	473	473	301	631	473	473	631	473	473
<b>Other rockfish</b>	BSAI	1,680	1,260	1,260	1,361	1,406	1,054	1,054	1,026	1,406	1,054	1,054	1,406	1,054	1,054
	BS	n/a	880	880	788	n/a	639	639	504	n/a	639	639	n/a	639	639
	AI	n/a	380	380	573	n/a	415	415	522	n/a	415	415	n/a	415	415
<b>Atka mackerel</b>	C	111,684	95,358	72,987	72,173	122,622	103,247	82,000	80,440	107,889	92,361	82,941	107,889	92,361	82,941
	BS/EAI	n/a	41,723	32,260	31,765	n/a	46,650	39,000	37,871	n/a	41,731	41,731	n/a	41,731	41,731
	CAI	n/a	16,754	16,754	16,654	n/a	26,511	24,443	24,121	n/a	23,716	23,716	n/a	23,716	23,716
	WAI	n/a	36,882	23,973	23,754	n/a	30,087	18,557	18,448	n/a	26,914	17,494	n/a	26,914	17,494
<b>Skates</b>	BSAI	45,574	37,808	30,519	27,146	44,086	36,523	27,646	19,503	43,285	35,833	27,646	43,285	35,833	27,646
<b>Sharks</b>	BSAI	689	450	400	174	689	450	400	197	689	450	400	689	450	400
<b>Octopuses</b>	BSAI	6,080	4,560	400	246	6,080	4,560	400	296	6,080	4,560	400	6,080	4,560	400
<b>Total</b>	BSAI	4,609,077	3,476,801	2,000,000	1,781,793	4,334,715	3,588,066	2,000,000	1,748,054	3,849,059	3,188,585	2,000,000	3,849,059	3,188,585	2,000,000

Sources: Sources: 2024 and 2025 Final BSAI Harvest Specifications (published March 2024, 2025 and 2026 Final BSAI Harvest Specifications (published March 2025); 2026-2027 Proposed BSAI Harvest Specifications (Council recommendations, October 2025); Catch Accounting System.

Note: BSAI catch (not AK wide catch) for sablefish included in total. ABCs are at the level of the stock or stock complex and shown in "Total" rows. Any quantities shown in "Area" rows are spatial apportionments of ABC and do not reflect ACLs. 2026 and 2027 quantities based on 2025-2026 Proposed BSAI Harvest Specifications (October 2025); 2024 and 2025 OFLs, ABCs, and TACs are from harvest specifications adopted by the Council in December 2023 and 2024, respectively. Catch data are from the Catch Accounting System accessed 11/13/2025. \*TACs for AI pollock BS pollock, yellowfin sole, northern rock sole and flathead sole differ from the Council December 2024 motion to reflect inseason reallocation of pollock and flatfish exchanges. On June 27 the TAC for "other flatfish" was raised from 4,500 mt to 5,225 mt through a release of non-specified reserves.



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pre-meeting DRAFT, November 2025

Species	Area	2025			Catch through 11/8/25	2026		
		OFL	ABC	TAC		OFL	ABC	TAC
<b>Pollock</b>	BS	2,957,000	2,417,000	1,389,000	1,324,556	2,496,000	2,036,000	1,375,000
	AI	55,728	46,051	5,000	4,527	56,231	46,437	10,000
	Bogoslof	77,354	58,015	250	63	77,354	58,015	250
<b>Pacific cod</b>	BS	183,509	153,617	133,602	111,227	169,243	141,520	123,077
	AI	16,782	13,376	8,694	4,608	16,273	12,973	8,433
	BSAI/GOA	58,532	47,605	n/a	4,672	57,797	47,008	n/a
<b>Sablefish</b>	BS	n/a	13,203	8,496	3,751	n/a	13,037	8,996
	AI	n/a	11,566	7,940	921	n/a	11,421	7,440
<b>Yellowfin sole</b>	BSAI	299,247	262,557	135,000	80,971	305,039	267,630	145,000
<b>Greenland turbot</b>	BSAI	2,598	1,678	1,678	618	2,059	1,326	1,328
	BS	n/a	1,415	1,415	406	n/a	1,120	1,120
	AI	n/a	263	263	212	n/a	208	208
<b>Arrowtooth flounder</b>	BSAI	104,428	88,683	14,000	9,024	102,472	87,035	14,000
<b>Kamchatka flounder</b>	BSAI	8,019	6,800	6,800	5,038	7,790	6,606	6,606
<b>Northern rock sole</b>	BSAI	165,444	157,487	75,000	39,947	166,220	158,225	75,000
<b>Flathead sole</b>	BSAI	101,621	83,807	36,000	8,432	106,283	87,700	36,000
<b>Alaska plaice</b>	BSAI	34,576	28,745	15,903	6,947	33,965	28,230	16,200
<b>Other flatfish</b>	BSAI	26,083	19,562	4,500	5,353	26,083	19,562	4,500
<b>Pacific Ocean perch</b>	BSAI	44,594	37,375	33,458	31,652	43,084	36,578	33,490
	BS	n/a	10,121	10,121	9,483	n/a	9,905	9,905
	EAI	n/a	6,278	6,278	6,003	n/a	6,144	6,144
	CAI	n/a	5,559	5,559	4,803	n/a	5,441	5,441
	WAI	n/a	15,417	11,500	11,363	n/a	15,088	12,000
<b>Northern rockfish</b>	BSAI	22,848	18,694	12,000	8,014	22,284	18,232	12,000
<b>Blackspotted/Rougheye Rockfish</b>	BSAI	838	706	706	642	902	766	766
	BS/EAI	n/a	408	408	224	n/a	441	441
	CAI/WAI	n/a	298	298	418	n/a	325	325
<b>Shortraker rockfish</b>	BSAI	631	473	473	301	631	473	473
<b>Other rockfish</b>	BSAI	1,406	1,054	1,054	1,026	1,406	1,054	1,054
	BS	n/a	639	639	504	n/a	639	639
	AI	n/a	415	415	522	n/a	415	415
<b>Atka mackerel</b>	C	122,622	103,247	82,000	80,440	107,889	92,361	82,941
	BS/EAI	n/a	46,650	39,000	37,871	n/a	41,731	41,731
	CAI	n/a	26,511	24,443	24,121	n/a	23,716	23,716
	WAI	n/a	30,087	18,557	18,448	n/a	26,914	17,494
<b>Skates</b>	BSAI	44,086	36,523	27,646	19,503	43,285	35,833	27,646
<b>Sharks</b>	BSAI	689	450	400	197	689	450	400
<b>Octopuses</b>	BSAI	6,080	4,560	400	296	6,080	4,560	400
<b>Total</b>	BSAI	4,334,715	3,588,066	2,000,000	1,748,054	3,849,059	3,188,585	2,000,000

## TAC changes in proposed 2026 from final 2025

EBS Pollock: TAC similar, change is due to reallocation in 2025 from AI

EBS and AI cod: Decrease OFL/ABC  
2026 does not reflect AI GHL change

Sablefish: Decrease OFL/ABC

YFS: Increase OFL/ABC, reallocation 2025

Turbot: Decrease OFL/ABC

Flatfish reflect usage (reallocations in 2025)

Increase in OFL/ABC

**Other changes tied to balancing opportunity based on decreases from 2025**

## Action 2: Set ABC reserves for flathead sole, rock sole and yellowfin sole

- ABC reserve:

- Consider ABC surplus (ABC – TAC for all 3 species) and consider whether or not to set a discretionary buffer by reducing the available surplus in establishing an ABC reserve



## Table 7 ABC reserves

**Table 7—Proposed 2026 and 2027 ABC Surplus, ABC Reserves, Community Development Quota (CDQ) ABC Reserves, and Amendment 80 ABC Reserves in the BSAI for Flathead Sole, Rock Sole, and Yellowfin Sole**

Sector	Flathead sole	Rock sole	Yellowfin Sole
ABC	87,700	158,225	267,639
TAC	36,000	75,000	145,000
ABC surplus	51,700	83,225	122,639
ABC reserve	51,700	83,225	122,639
CDQ ABC reserve	5,532	8,905	13,122
Amendment 80 ABC reserve <sup>1</sup>	46,168	74,320	109,517

Note: Seasonal or sector apportionments may not total precisely due to rounding.

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## ACTION 3: PSC LIMITS AND APPORTIONMENTS: BBRKC, TANNER CRAB, SNOW CRAB, HERRING, HALIBUT

# Amd 80 Halibut PSC limit

Letters from AFSC and IPHC posted to eAgenda

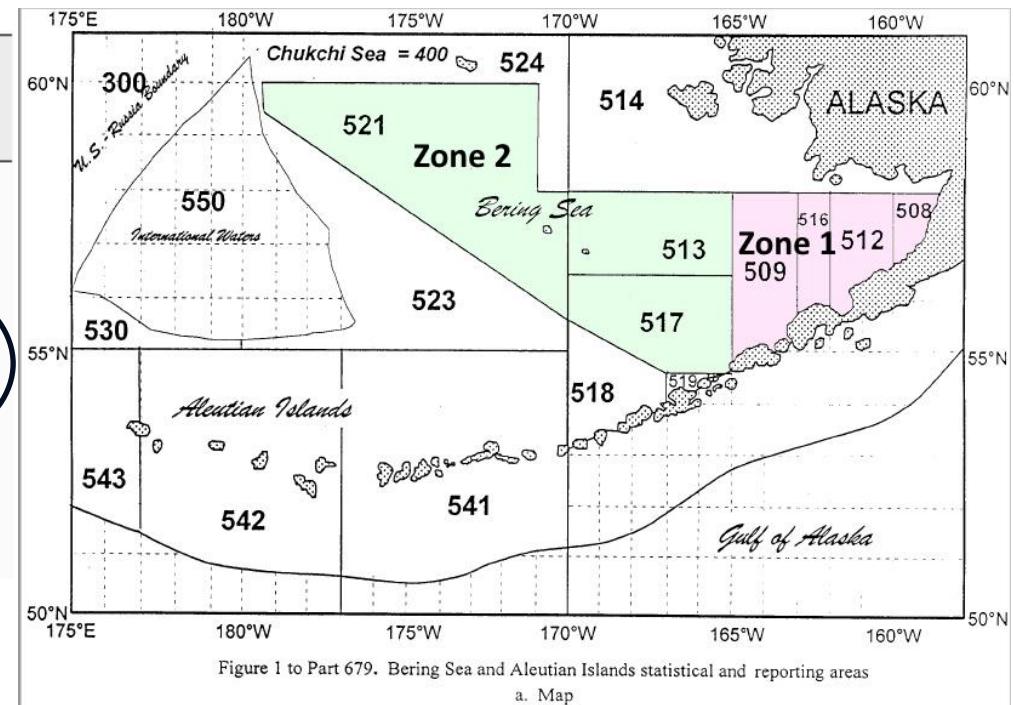
Survey Index Ranges	Eastern Bering Sea shelf trawl survey index (t)		
	Low < 150,000	High ≥150,000	
IPHC setline survey index in Area 4ABCDE (WPUE)	High ≥ 11,000	1,745 mt	1,745 mt
	Medium 8,000 – 10,999	1,396 mt	1,571 mt
	Low 6,000-7,999	1,309 mt	1,396 mt
	Very Low < 6,000	1,134 mt	1,134 mt



PSC limits for red king crab, Tanner crab and snow crab established based on formulas in the FMP and in regulation.

## For red king crab Zone 1 PSC limit:

When the number of mature female red king crab is ...	The zone 1 PSC limit will be ...
(A) At or below the threshold of 8.4 million mature crab or the effective spawning biomass is less than or equal to 14.5 million lb (6,577 mt)	32,000 red king crab.
(B) Above the threshold of 8.4 million mature crab and the effective spawning biomass is greater than 14.5 but less than 55 million lb (24,948 mt)	97,000 red king crab.
(C) Above the threshold of 8.4 million mature crab and the effective spawning biomass is equal to or greater than 55 million lb	197,000 red king crab.



# PSC limits and surveys: Tanner crab Zones 1 and 2

Zone 1 

When the total abundance of <i>C. bairdi</i> crabs is ...	The PSC limit will be ...
(1) 150 million animals or less	0.5 percent of the total abundance minus 20,000 animals
(2) Over 150 million to 270 million animals	730,000 animals
(3) Over 270 million to 400 million animals	830,000 animals
(4) Over 400 million animals	980,000 animals

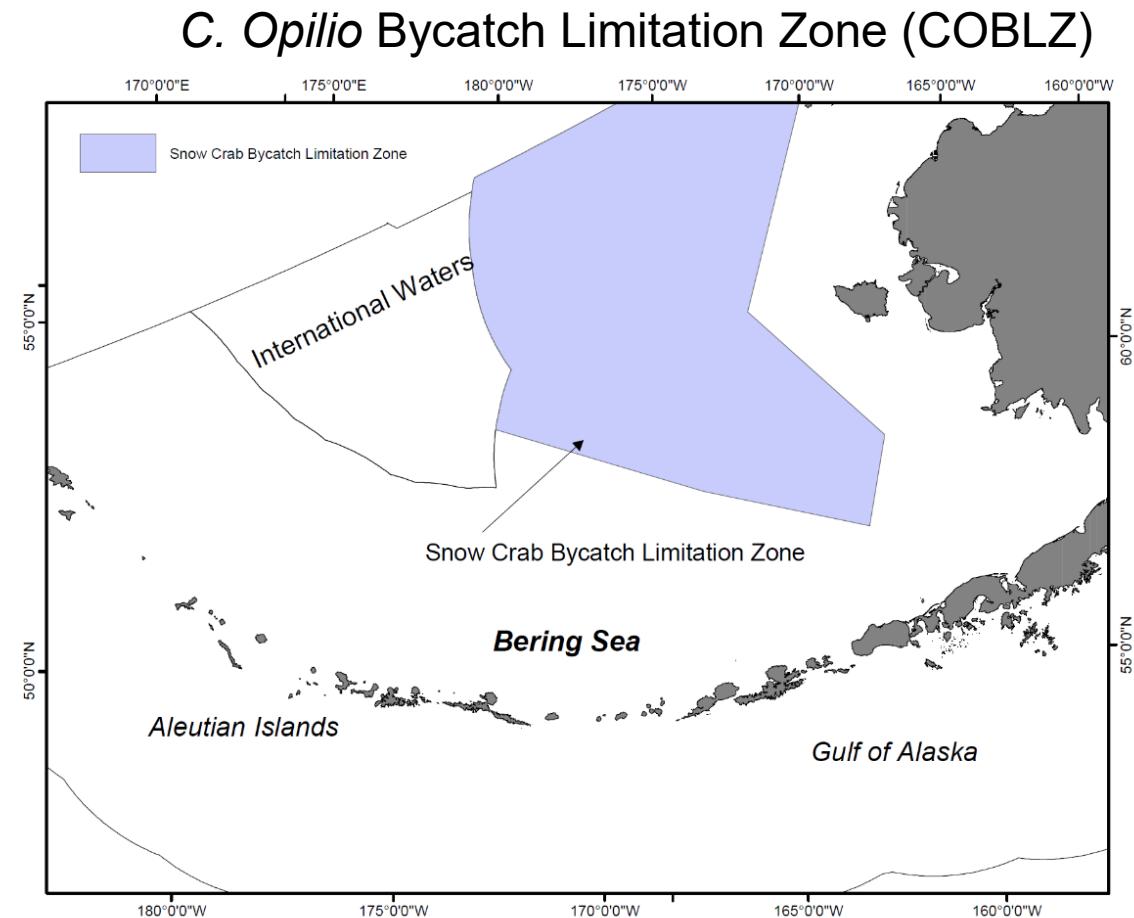
Zone 2 

When the total abundance of <i>C. bairdi</i> crabs is ...	The PSC limit will be ...
(1) 175 million animals or less	1.2 percent of the total abundance minus 30,000 animals
(2) Over 175 million to 290 million animals	2,070,000 animals
(3) Over 290 million to 400 million animals	2,520,000 animals
(4) Over 400 million animals	2,970,000 animals

## PSC limits and surveys: Snow Crab PSC limit

- ***C. opilio***. The PSC limit of *C. opilio* is based on **total abundance of *C. opilio* as indicated by the NMFS annual bottom trawl survey** = 0.1133 percent of the total abundance, minus 150,000 *C. opilio* crabs, unless;
  - minimum PSC limit will be 4.350 million animals; or
  - maximum PSC limit will be 12.850 million animals.
- The 'survey estimate' is taken from the snow crab assessment of total survey biomass

**2026 = 12,850,000 crab**



## PSC apportionment to non-Trawl gear

**Table 8—Proposed 2026 and 2027 Apportionment of Prohibited Species Catch Allowances to Non-Trawl Gear, the CDQ Program, Amendment 80, and the BSAI Trawl Limited Access Sectors**

PSC species and area and zone <sup>1</sup>	Total PSC	Non-trawl PSC	CDQ PSQ reserve <sup>2</sup>	Trawl PSC remaining after CDQ PSQ	Amendment 80 sector <sup>3,4</sup>	BSAI trawl limited access sector	BSAI PSC limits not allocated to Amendment 80
Halibut mortality (mt) BSAI	3,079	710	315		1,309	745	
Herring (mt) BSAI	2,015						
Red king crab (animals) Zone 1	97,000		10,379	86,621	43,293	26,489	16,839
C. opilio (animals) COBLZ	12,850,000		1,374,950	11,475,050	5,639,987	3,688,081	2,146,982
C. <u>bairdi</u> crab (animals) Zone 1	980,000		104,860	875,140	368,521	411,228	95,390
C. <u>bairdi</u> crab (animals) Zone 2	2,970,000		317,790	2,652,210	627,778	1,241,500	782,932

Note: Seasonal or sector apportionments may not total precisely due to rounding.

## Table 9 (updated) Trawl PSC allowances for Herring and Red King Crab

<b>Final 2026 and 2027 Herring and Red King Crab Savings Subarea Prohibited Species Catch Allowances for all Trawl Sectors</b>			
Fishery categories	Herring (mt) BSAI	Red king crab (animals) Zone 1	
Yellowfin sole	116	n/a	
Rock sole/flathead sole/Alaska plaice/other flatfish	59	n/a	
Greenland turbot/arrowtooth flounder/Kamchatka flounder/sablefish	6	n/a	
Rockfish	6	n/a	
Pacific cod	11	n/a	
Midwater trawl pollock	1,793	n/a	
Pollock/Atka mackerel/other species	24	n/a	
Red king crab savings subarea non-pelagic trawl gear	n/a	24,250	
Total trawl PSC	2,015	97,000	



# PSC allowances BSAI Trawl Limited Access

**Table 10—Proposed 2026 and 2027 Prohibited Species Bycatch Allowances for the BSAI Trawl Limited Access**

## **Sectors and Pacific Cod Trawl Cooperative Programs**

BSAI trawl limited access sector fisheries	Prohibited species and area <sup>1</sup>				
	Halibut mortality (mt) BSAI	Red king crab (animals) Zone 1	C. opilio (animals) COBLZ	C. bairdii (animals)	
			Zone 1	Zone 2	
Yellowfin sole	250	23,337	3,521,725	346,228	1,185,500
Rock sole/flathead sole/Alaska plaice/other flatfish <sup>2</sup>					
Greenland turbot/arrowtooth flounder/Kamchatka flounder/sablefish					
Rockfish April 15-December 31	5		2,972		1,000
Total Pacific cod <sup>3</sup>	315	2,955	148,531	60,000	50,000
AFA CP Pacific cod	6	278	13,962	5,640	4,700
PCTC Program Pacific cod, A and B	220	1,653	83,097	33,567	27,973
Trawl CV Pacific cod, C season	15	134	6,728	2,718	2,265
PCTC Program unallocated reduction	73	890	44,744	18,075	15,062
Pollock/Atka mackerel/other species <sup>4</sup>	175	197	14,853	5,000	5,000
Total BSAI trawl limited access sector PSC	745	26,489	3,688,081	411,228	1,241,500

Note: Seasonal or sector apportionments may not total precisely due to rounding.



# Halibut PSC Allowances for Non-Trawl Fisheries

**Table 11—Proposed 2026 and 2027 Halibut Prohibited Species Bycatch Allowances for Non-Trawl Fisheries**

Non-trawl fisheries	Seasons	Catcher/processor	Catcher vessel	All Non-Trawl
Pacific cod	Annual Pacific cod	648	13	661
	January 1-June 10	388	9	n/a
	June 10-August 15	162	2	n/a
	August 15-December 31	98	2	n/a
Non-Pacific cod non-trawl-Total	May 1-December 31	n/a	n/a	n/a
Groundfish pot and jig	n/a	n/a	n/a	Exempt
Sablefish hook-and-line	n/a	n/a	n/a	Exempt
Total for all non-trawl PSC	n/a	n/a	n/a	710

Note: Seasonal or sector apportionments may not total precisely due to rounding.

# Action 4: BSAI Halibut Discard Mortality Rates (DMRs)

## Table 12

**Table 12—Proposed 2026 and 2027 Pacific Halibut Discard Mortality Rates (DMR) for the BSAI**

Gear	Sector	Halibut discard mortality rate (percent)
Pelagic Trawl	All	100
Non-Pelagic Trawl	Mothership and catcher/processor	86
Non-Pelagic Trawl	Catcher vessel	62
Hook-and-line	Catcher vessel	10
Hook-and-line	Catcher/processor	10
Pot	All	19

Note: Seasonal or sector apportionments may not total precisely due to rounding.



Thank you!

