

**ADVISORY PANEL**  
**Motions and Rationale**  
**October 1-5 2019 - Homer, AK**

**C6 GOA Groundfish Specs**

**AP Motion 1**

The AP recommends the Council adopt the proposed 2020 and 2021 Gulf of Alaska groundfish specifications for OFLs and ABCs as recommended by the SSC and set TACs as shown in the handout, with all proposed specifications consisting of rollovers of final specifications from 2020. The TACs for both Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod and Pollock have been adjusted to account for the State water GHF fisheries. The Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod adjustments are shown in the C6 action memo Table 2.

The AP recommends that the Council set the 2020 and 2021 annual and seasonal Pacific halibut PSC limits and apportionments in the Gulf of Alaska as provided in Tables 9, 10, and 11 in the action memo.

Finally, the AP recommends that the Council adopt the proposed 2020 and 2021 halibut discard mortality rates (DMRs) for the Gulf of Alaska as shown in Table 12 of the action memo.

*Motion passed 20-0*

**Motion 2**

The AP asked the council to send a letter to NOAA requesting full surveys in the Gulf of Alaska.

*Motion passed 20-0*

**Rationale:**

- *The GOA is witnessing increased variability in ocean conditions and fisheries; consistent survey data is needed to ensure sustainable fisheries management. Returning the third boat back to the summer bottom survey and reestablishing a full winter hydroacoustic pollock survey is important.*

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Species	Area	OFL	2018 ABC	TAC	Catch	2019		Catch as of 8/31/19	2020 and 2021		
						OFL	ABC		OFL	ABC	TAC
Pollock	State GHL	n/a	4,037	-	-	n/a	3,396	-	n/a	2,722	-
	W (610)	n/a	30,188	30,188	30,675	n/a	24,875	24,875	7,649	n/a	19,939
	C (620)	n/a	79,495	79,495	80,057	n/a	67,388	67,388	50,131	n/a	57,279
	C (630)	n/a	40,939	40,939	40,285	n/a	34,443	34,443	9,079	n/a	24,345
	WYAK	n/a	6,833	6,833	4,125	n/a	5,748	5,748	6,612	n/a	4,607
	Subtotal		187,059	161,492	157,455	155,142	194,230	135,850	132,454	73,471	148,968
	EYAK/SEO	11,697	8,773	8,773	-	11,697	8,773	8,773	-	11,697	8,773
	Total	198,756	170,265	166,228	155,142	205,927	144,623	141,227	73,471	160,665	117,665
Pacific Cod	W	n/a	8,082	5,657	5,043	n/a	7,633	5,343	3,251	n/a	9,695
	C	n/a	8,118	6,089	5,755	n/a	7,667	5,750	3,727	n/a	9,738
	E	n/a	1,800	1,350	101	n/a	1,700	1,275	181	n/a	2,159
	Total	23,565	18,000	13,096	10,899	23,669	17,000	12,368	7,159	26,078	21,592
Sablefish	W	n/a	1,544	1,544	1,397	n/a	1,581	1,581	889	n/a	2,105
	C	n/a	5,158	5,158	5,775	n/a	5,178	5,178	3,783	n/a	6,931
	WYAK	n/a	1,829	1,829	1,859	n/a	1,828	1,828	1,543	n/a	2,433
	SEO	n/a	2,974	2,974	3,006	n/a	2,984	2,984	2,156	n/a	3,993
	Total	22,703	11,505	11,505	12,037	25,227	11,571	11,571	8,371	34,782	15,462
Shallow-Water Flatfish	W	n/a	25,206	13,250	56	n/a	25,620	13,250	57	n/a	25,952
	C	n/a	25,315	25,315	2,914	n/a	25,731	25,731	1,369	n/a	26,065
	WYAK	n/a	2,242	2,242	1	n/a	2,279	2,279	1	n/a	2,308
	EYAK/SEO	n/a	1,925	1,925	1	n/a	1,957	1,957	1	n/a	1,983
	Total	67,240	54,688	42,732	2,972	68,309	55,587	43,217	1,428	69,167	56,308
Deep-Water Flatfish	W	n/a	413	413	3	n/a	416	416	1	n/a	420
	C	n/a	3,400	3,400	189	n/a	3,443	3,443	42	n/a	3,488
	WYAK	n/a	3,239	3,239	6	n/a	3,280	3,280	9	n/a	3,323
	EYAK/SEO	n/a	2,332	2,332	5	n/a	2,362	2,362	1	n/a	2,393
	Total	11,294	9,384	9,384	203	11,434	9,501	9,501	53	11,581	9,624
Rex Sole	W	n/a	3,086	3,086	83	n/a	2,951	2,951	73	n/a	2,956
	C	n/a	8,739	8,739	1,665	n/a	8,357	8,357	1,225	n/a	8,371
	WYAK	n/a	1,737	1,737	2	n/a	1,657	1,657	2	n/a	1,664
	EYAK/SEO	n/a	1,811	1,811	-	n/a	1,727	1,727	-	n/a	1,734
	Total	18,706	15,373	15,373	1,750	17,889	14,692	14,692	1,300	17,942	14,725
Arrowtooth Flounder	W	n/a	37,253	14,500	1,043	n/a	35,994	14,500	565	n/a	34,765
	C	n/a	73,480	48,000	17,825	n/a	70,995	70,995	16,134	n/a	68,575
	WYAK	n/a	16,468	6,900	40	n/a	15,911	6,900	82	n/a	15,368
	EYAK/SEO	n/a	23,744	6,900	22	n/a	22,941	6,900	9	n/a	22,157
	Total	180,697	150,945	76,300	18,930	174,598	145,841	99,295	16,790	168,634	140,865
Flathead Sole	W	n/a	12,690	8,650	150	n/a	13,234	8,650	192	n/a	13,771
	C	n/a	20,238	15,400	2,060	n/a	21,109	15,400	1,902	n/a	21,965
	WYAK	n/a	1,932	1,932	-	n/a	2,016	2,016	-	n/a	2,097
	EYAK/SEO	n/a	406	406	-	n/a	423	423	-	n/a	440
	Total	43,011	35,266	26,388	2,210	44,865	36,782	26,489	2,094	46,666	38,273

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Species	Area	OFL	2018			Catch		2019			2020 and 2021		
			ABC	TAC	Catch	OFL	ABC	TAC	Catch of 8/31/19	OFL	ABC	TAC	
Pacific Ocean Perch	W	n/a	3,312	3,312	3,225	n/a	3,227	3,227	3,044	n/a	3,125	3,125	
	C	n/a	20,112	20,112	18,181	n/a	19,646	19,646	13,655	n/a	19,024	19,024	
	WYAK	n/a	3,371	3,371	3,352	n/a	3,296	3,296	3,288	n/a	3,192	3,192	
	W/C/WYAK	31,860	26,795	26,795	24,758	31,113	26,169	26,169	19,987	30,128	25,341	25,341	
	SEO	2,902	2,441	2,441	-	2,838	2,386	2,386	-	2,748	2,311	2,311	
	Total	34,762	29,236	29,236	24,758	33,951	28,555	28,555	19,987	32,876	27,652	27,652	
Northern Rockfish	W	n/a	420	420	297	n/a	1,190	1,190	649	n/a	1,122	1,122	
	C	n/a	3,261	3,261	2,067	n/a	3,338	3,338	1,350	n/a	3,147	3,147	
	E	n/a	4	-	-	n/a	1	-	-	n/a	1	-	
	Total	4,380	3,685	3,681	2,364	5,402	4,529	4,528	1,999	5,093	4,270	4,269	
Shortraker Rockfish	W	n/a	44	44	37	n/a	44	44	15	n/a	44	44	
	C	n/a	305	305	319	n/a	305	305	113	n/a	305	305	
	E	n/a	515	515	407	n/a	514	514	306	n/a	514	514	
	Total	1,151	864	864	763	1,151	863	863	434	1,151	863	863	
Dusky Rockfish	W	n/a	146	146	50	n/a	781	781	173	n/a	774	774	
	C	n/a	3,502	3,502	2,841	n/a	2,764	2,764	1,758	n/a	2,742	2,742	
	WYAK	n/a	232	232	12	n/a	95	95	93	n/a	94	94	
	EYAK/SEO	n/a	77	77	8	n/a	60	60	3	n/a	60	60	
	Total	4,841	3,957	3,957	2,911	4,521	3,700	3,700	2,027	4,484	3,670	3,670	
Rougeye and Blackspotted Rockfish	W	n/a	176	176	81	n/a	174	174	66	n/a	172	172	
	C	n/a	556	556	439	n/a	550	550	265	n/a	545	545	
	E	n/a	712	712	233	n/a	704	704	127	n/a	697	697	
	Total	1,735	1,444	1,444	753	1,715	1,428	1,428	458	1,699	1,414	1,414	
Demersal shelf rockfish	Total	394	250	250	138	411	261	261	123	411	261	261	
Thornyhead Rockfish	W	n/a	344	344	160	n/a	326	326	94	n/a	326	326	
	C	n/a	921	921	699	n/a	911	911	294	n/a	911	911	
	E	n/a	773	773	330	n/a	779	779	221	n/a	779	779	
	Total	2,717	2,038	2,038	1,189	2,688	2,016	2,016	609	2,688	2,016	2,016	
Other Rockfish	W/C	n/a	1,737	1,737	1,039	n/a	1,737	1,737	569	n/a	1,737	1,737	
	WYAK	n/a	368	368	135	n/a	368	368	173	n/a	368	368	
	EYAK/SEO	n/a	3,489	200	52	n/a	3,489	3,489	38	n/a	3,489	3,489	
	Total	7,356	5,594	2,305	1,226	7,356	5,594	5,594	780	7,356	5,594	5,594	
Atka mackerel	Total	6,200	4,700	3,000	1,437	6,200	4,700	3,000	776	6,200	4,700	3,000	
Big Skate	W	n/a	504	504	312	n/a	504	504	84	n/a	504	504	
	C	n/a	1,774	1,774	976	n/a	1,774	1,774	841	n/a	1,774	1,774	
	E	n/a	570	570	79	n/a	570	570	89	n/a	570	570	
	Total	3,797	2,848	2,848	1,367	3,797	2,848	2,848	1,014	3,797	2,848	2,848	
Longnose Skate	W	n/a	149	149	56	n/a	149	149	29	n/a	149	149	
	C	n/a	2,804	2,804	579	n/a	2,804	2,804	521	n/a	2,804	2,804	
	E	n/a	619	619	235	n/a	619	619	266	n/a	619	619	
	Total	4,763	3,572	3,572	870	4,763	3,572	3,572	816	4,763	3,572	3,572	
Other Skates	GOA-wide	1,845	1,384	1,384	758	1,845	1,384	1,384	611	1,845	1,384	1,384	
Sculpins	GOA-wide	6,958	5,301	5,301	631	6,958	5,301	5,301	476	6,958	5,301	5,301	
Sharks	GOA-wide	6,020	4,514	4,514	3,090	10,913	8,184	8,184	1,286	10,913	8,184	8,184	
Squids	GOA-wide	1,516	1,137	1,137	43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Octopuses	GOA-wide	1,300	975	975	201	1,300	975	975	142	1,300	975	975	
<b>Total</b>		<b>655,707</b>	<b>536,925</b>	<b>427,512</b>	<b>246,642</b>	<b>664,889</b>	<b>509,507</b>	<b>430,569</b>	<b>142,204</b>	<b>627,049</b>	<b>487,218</b>	<b>408,534</b>	

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