

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Report to the North Pacific Fishery Management Council

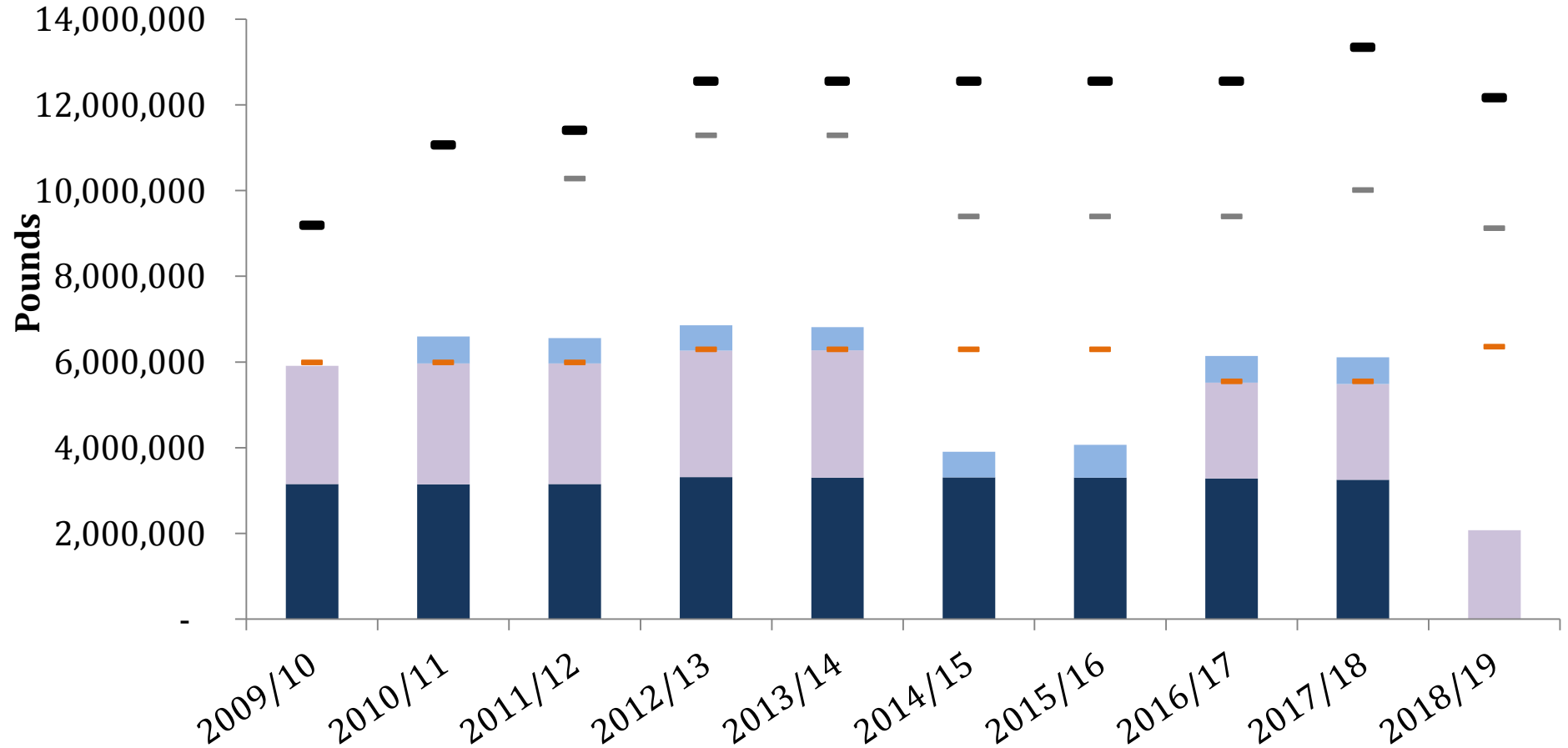
Agenda Item B-5



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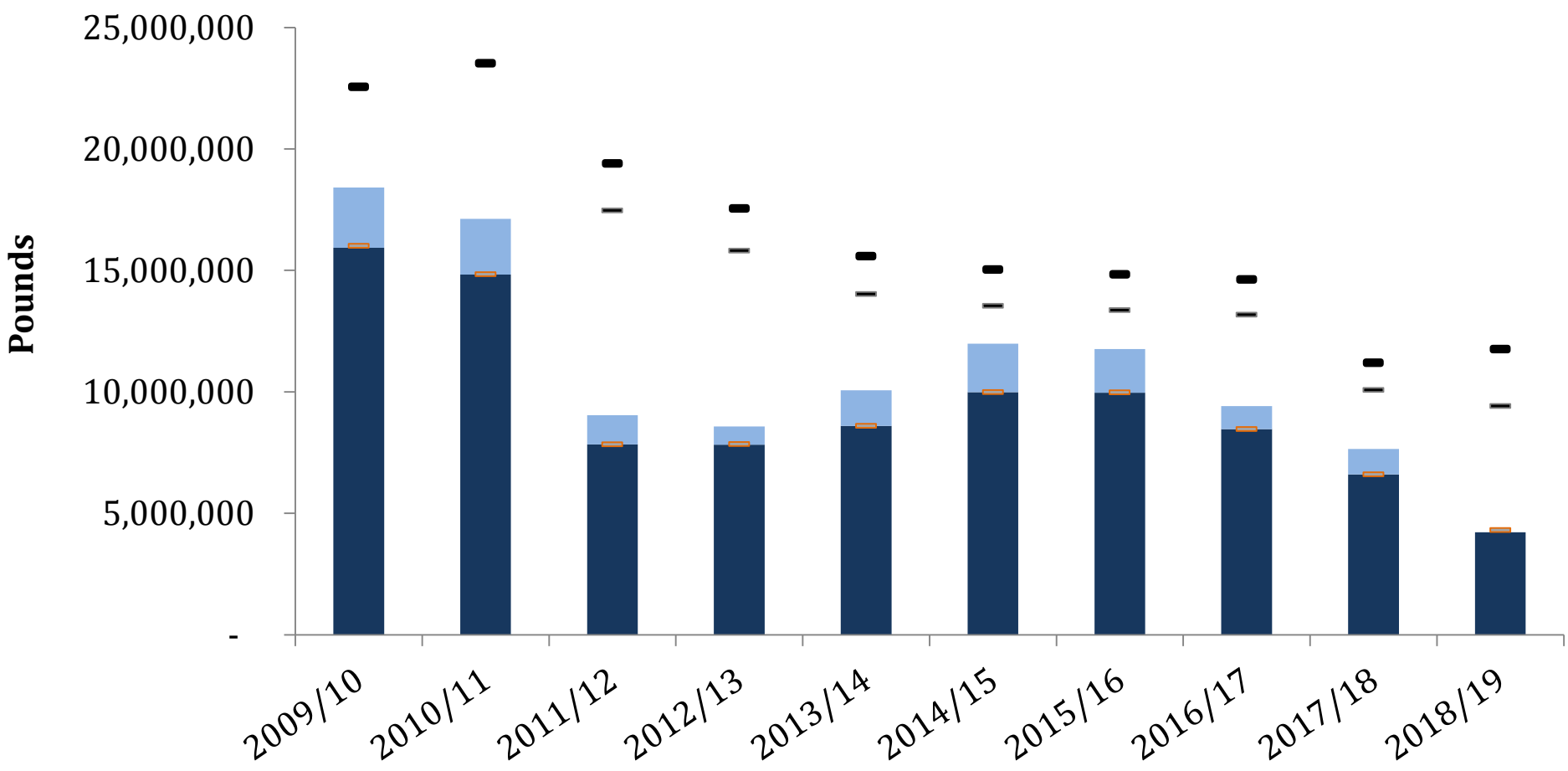
Aleutian Islands Golden King Crab

■ East IFQ/CDQ (catch)
 ■ West IFQ/ACA
 ■ Other removals
 — TAC
 — ABC
 — OFL



Bristol Bay Red King Crab

■ Total IFQ/CDQ catch ■ Other removals - OFL - ABC - TAC



Bering Sea Snow Crab Harvest

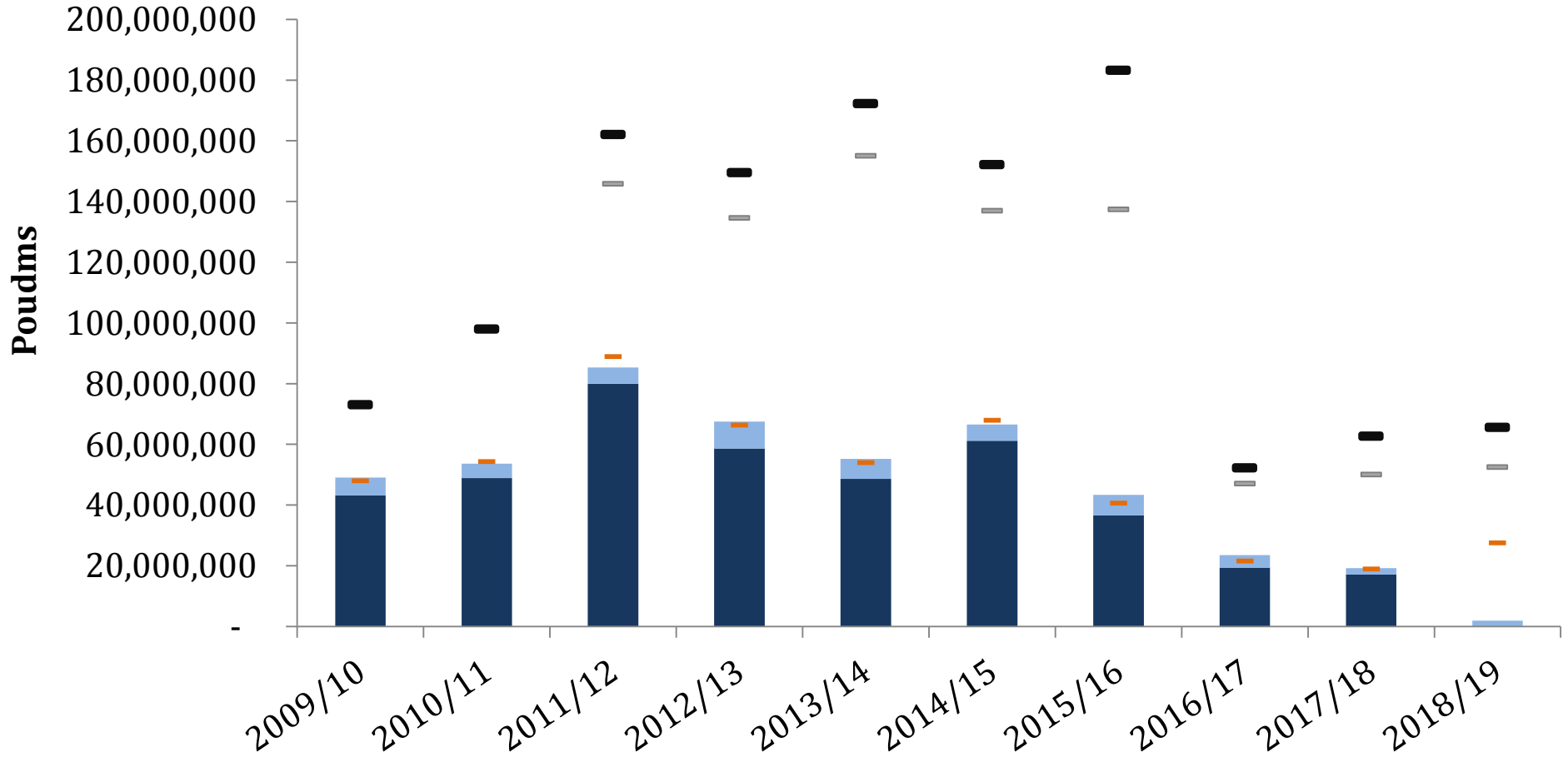
IFQ Harvest

CDQ Harvest

TAC

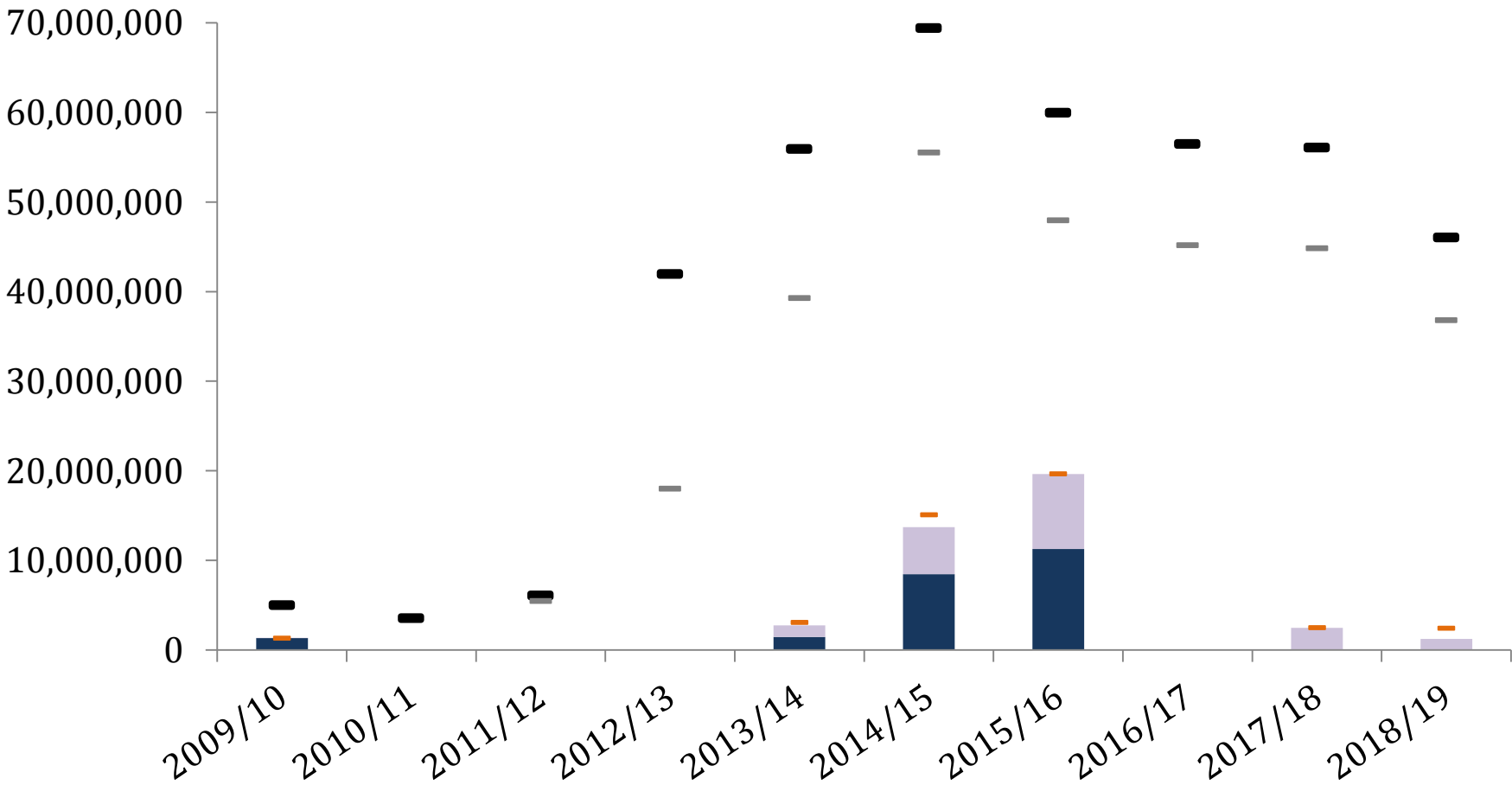
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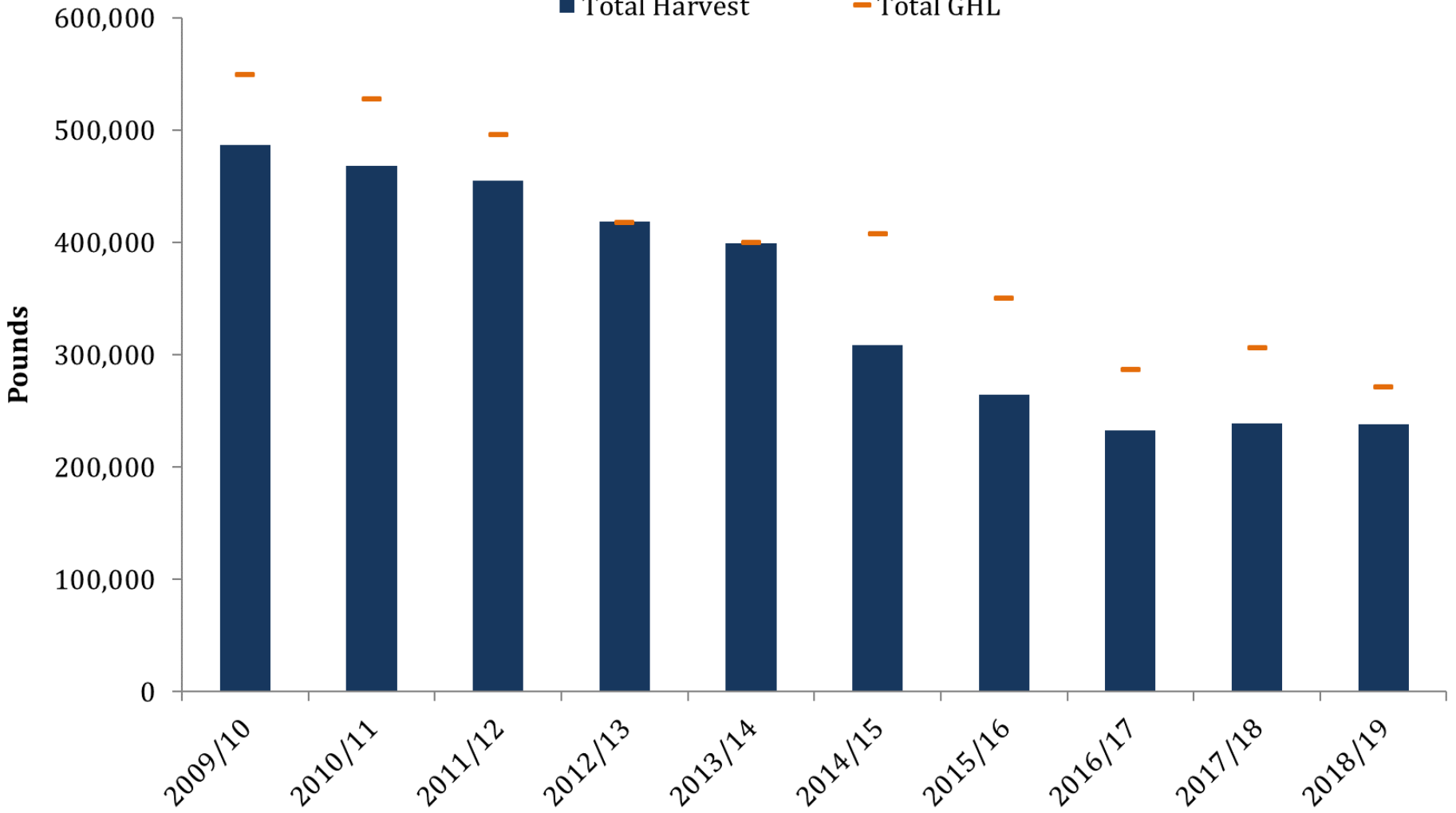
Bering Sea Tanner Crab

■ Total East Catch ■ Total West Catch - TAC - OFL - ABC



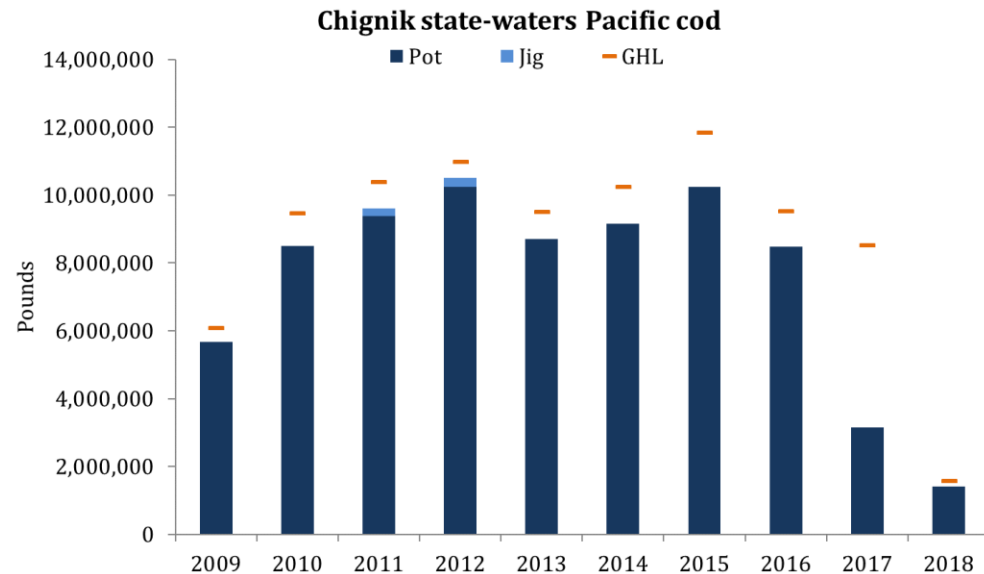
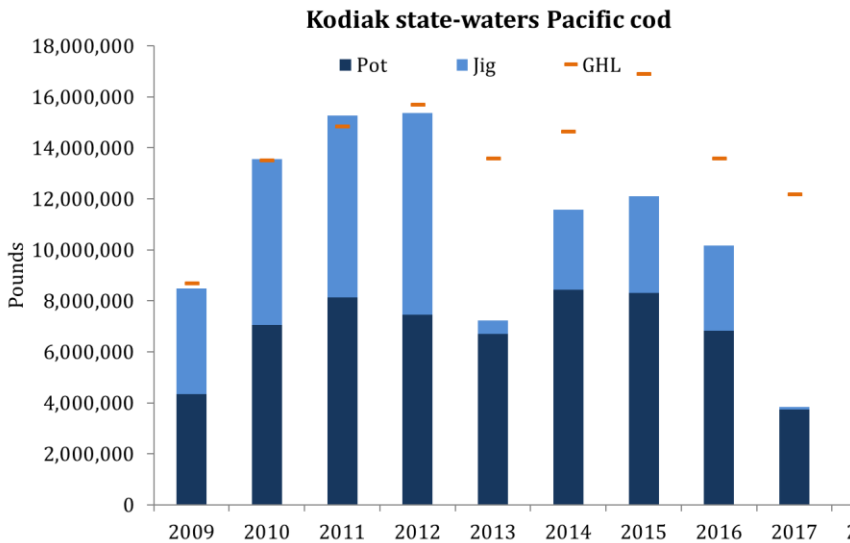
Statewide Scallop Harvest

■ Total Harvest ■ Total GHL



Pacific Cod

Fisheries remain open in the Chignik and Kodiak areas. There has been no participation in the Chignik jig fishery since it opened March 31st and no participation from pots since the rollover State water fishery on August 15th. There has been no jig participation since June 9th.



Alaska Board of Fisheries

The Board considered out-of-cycle proposals and Agenda Change Requests (ACRs) at the October work session (October 15-16, 2018), the Joint Protocol Committee meeting followed on October 17th, and the Pacific cod meeting was October 18-19 in Anchorage. The Bristol Bay Finfish meeting was November 28 – December 3, 2018 in Dillingham. The next Board of Fisheries meeting for Arctic/ Yukon/ Kuskokwim Finfish will be January 15 – 19th, 2019 in Anchorage, public comment is due January 2, 2019.

Accepted Agenda Change Requests:

ACR 3 - Harvest levels for golden king crab in Registration Area O. Proposal to implement a new harvest strategy for Aleutian Island Golden King Crab based off the newly accepted stock assessment. This proposal is scheduled for the March 9 – 12, 2019 meeting in Anchorage.

Board Generated Proposal:

5 AAC 34.6XX Registration Area O red king crab management plan, and 5 AAC 35.5XX. Registration Area O C. *bairdi* Tanner crab management plan. Establish commercial state-waters red king crab and Tanner crab fisheries in the Aleutian Islands, as follows:

Management measures include:

- Establish a 3-S (size, sex, and season) management framework.
- Create new management districts for king and Tanner crab west of 170° W. longitude.
- Limit participation to vessels 60 feet overall length or less.

This proposal is scheduled for the March 9 – 12, 2019 meeting in Anchorage.

**ALASKA PENINSULA / CHIGNIK / ALEUTIAN ISLANDS- BERING SEA PACIFIC
COD (October 18 - 19, 2018).**

Aleutian Islands Pacific cod (8 proposals, 1 carried):

1. A 4% step-down provision if the GHL is not achieved in two consecutive years was added to the management plan.

Dutch Harbor Subdistrict Pacific Cod Management Plan (7 proposals, 3 carried):

1. The GHL was increased from 6.4% of the Federal ABC to 8% with a 1% annual increase if the GHL is achieved, up to a maximum of 15% of the ABC.
2. The Dutch Harbor Subdistrict area was extended to 162° 30.00' W. long. (from 164° W. long).
3. A new jig fishery within the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict was established with a GHL of 100,000 pounds (45 t) of the Federal ABC.

*Chignik Area and South Alaska Peninsula Area Pacific Cod Management Plans
(2 proposals, 2 carried):*

1. The jig fishery and hand troll parallel fishery opening dates were changed to open 48-hours after the guideline harvest level is achieved or on October 30, whichever occurs first. This action extends the 2-week rollover season in State waters to up to 10-weeks.
2. The weather delay provision for jig gear vessels during the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery was removed.

**Next Alaska Board of Fisheries meeting
January 15 – 19th, 2019 in Anchorage:
Arctic/ Yukon/ Kuskokwim Finfish**

Public comment deadline January 2, 2019