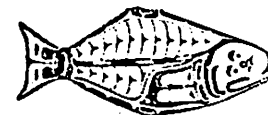


SUMMARY OF 1986 PACIFIC HALIBUT FISHERY THROUGH JUNE 23

AREA	CATCH LIMIT (MILLIONS OF POUNDS)	CATCH* (MILLIONS OF POUNDS)	STATUS
2A	0.55	IN PROGRESS	OPEN
2B	11.20	11.0	CLOSED
2C	11.20	10.8	CLOSED
3A	28.10	31.8	CLOSED
3B	10.30	2.9	1 DAY - 8/25-26
4A	2.00	(	(
4B	1.70	(	(
4C	0.60	(	(
4D	0.70	(	(
4E	0.05	(	(
		Approx. 0.15	AS SCHEDULED

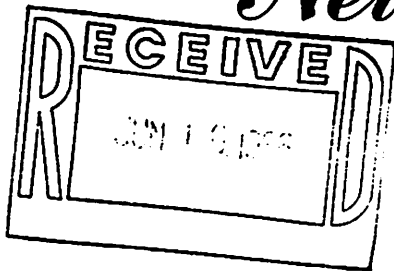
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### Areas 2C and 3A close

The International Pacific Halibut Commission reports that 10.8 million pounds were landed from Area 2C (southeastern Alaska) during the first two fishing periods for 1986. The catch limit for Area 2C is 11.2 million pounds and would be exceeded if additional fishing time were allowed. Therefore, Area 2C will remain closed during 1986.

Landings from Area 3A (Cape Spencer to the west end of Kodiak Island) totaled 31.6 million pounds during the first two fishing periods for 1986. The Area 3A catch limit of 28.1 million pounds was exceeded and Area 3A will not reopen for the remainder of 1986.

### Area 3B August fishing period shortened to 1 day

A total of 2.9 million pounds have been landed to date from Area 3B (west end of Kodiak Island to Unimak Pass). The catch limit in Area 3B is 10.3 million pounds and the combined catch limit for Areas 3A and 3B is 38.4 million pounds. The Commission projects that the latter catch limit would be exceeded with a 2-day fishing period as scheduled. Accordingly, the August fishing period will be shortened to 1 day and will begin at 12:00 noon Pacific Standard Time (equivalent to 12:00 noon Alaska Daylight Time) on August 25 and end at 12:00 noon Pacific Standard Time (equivalent to 12:00 noon Alaska Daylight Time) on August 26.

### Bering Sea fishing periods remain as scheduled

Landings from the Bering Sea are less than 100,000 pounds to date and fishing periods will proceed as scheduled in the 1986 Pacific Halibut Fishery Regulations.

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