2021 Inshore Salmon Savings Incentive Plan Agreement
Annual Report

Amendment 110  IPA Identification Number 1

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• All 6 AFA Inshore Cooperatives Participate in the ISSIP
  • 6 Inshore Cooperatives
    Akutan     Northern Victor
    Peter Pan  Unalaska
    Uni Sea    Westward
• A total of 87 Catcher Vessels
  • 72 Active CVs in the A Season
  • 64 Active CVs in the B Season
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• 2021 Was Managed Under the Lower Limits Due to the 2020 Three River Index Having Been Determined to Be Under 250,000 Chinook Salmon
  • 2021 Inshore Limit set at 25,020 Chinook Salmon
  • 2021 Performance Standard set at 18,525 Chinook Salmon

• Total 2021 Chinook Bycatch by the Inshore Sector was 6,977 fish
  • A Season Chinook Bycatch – 4,434 fish
  • B Season Chinook Bycatch – 2,543 fish

• Total 2021 Chum Bycatch by the Inshore Sector was 342,161 fish
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- History of Inshore Chinook Bycatch 2005 - 2021
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• A Season Chinook Summary
  • Pollock Harvest – 259,819 metric tons
  • Chinook Bycatch Rate – 58.6 mt (129,191 lbs.) of pollock harvest per Chinook Salmon

• B Season Chinook Summary
  • Pollock Harvest – 337,208 metric tons
  • Chinook Bycatch Rate – 132.6 mt (292,333 lbs.) of pollock harvest per Chinook Salmon
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• 2021 Chum Salmon Bycatch Summary
  • Total Chum Salmon Bycatch – 342,161 fish

• 2021 Chum Salmon Genetics Results – 9.4% of total Chum Salmon Bycatch originated from Combined Coastal Western Alaska and the Mid & Upper Yukon Rivers

• Inshore Sector Chum Salmon Bycatch of Combined Coastal Western Alaska and Mid & Upper Yukon Rivers = 32,163 fish
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• ISSIP operates at the individual vessel level

• Vessel Allocations
  • Vessels receive a share of the Inshore Performance Standard, not the Sector Limit (the “Hard Cap”), after reserving 500 Chinook to an insurance pool.
    • Allocations made pro rata to a vessel’s pollock percentage of inshore sector pollock allocation
  • Allocations made seasonally
    • A Season allocations are a vessel limit not to be exceeded
    • B season initial allocation may only be exceeded if vessel has earned Savings Credits by staying under previous seasons’ allocations
Savings Credits - Earning Savings Credits incentivizes the fleet to reduce their Chinook bycatch at all levels of abundance

- Catcher vessels may not catch Chinook over their initial allocation of the Performance Standard without having the Savings Credits to do so.
- A vessel earns 1 Savings Credit for every 3 Chinook not caught of its initial allocation in the previous 3 years
- Savings Credits are held in a vessel’s Savings Account and expire after 3 years
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• No Inshore Catcher Vessels exceeded their initial Chinook allocations made under the Performance Standard – No use of Savings Credits occurred in 2021.

• 2021 inshore sector Chinook bycatch was 11,548 Chinook below the inshore sector Performance Standard.

• 2021 inshore sector Chinook bycatch was 18,043 Chinook below the inshore sector Hard Cap.
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• Chum Salmon Bycatch Managed by a Rolling Hot Spot Program
  • 2021 RHS Closures:
Additional ISSIP Elements

• Salmon Excluder Use Requirement
  • CVs must have a salmon excluder installed in their net for entire A season.
  • CVs must have a salmon excluder installed after August 31st in B season.

• October Fishing Restrictions
  • A CV must maintain a Chinook bycatch rate below 0.103 Chinook per mt of pollock harvest to fish in October regardless of having available Chinook in its account.

• Chinook Conservation Area Closure
  • Closed in A season
  • Area known to have continually high Chinook presence
ISSIP Observer Coverage

- 100% Observer Coverage Required Regardless of Vessel Size, Capacity, or Pollock Quota – Amendment 91
  - All Inshore catcher vessels must be observed while fishing, transiting to and from the grounds, and transferring fish during offload
    - In 2021 approximately 50% of the fleet carried human observers and 50% chose to participate in the Electronic Monitoring EFP.

- Catcher vessels required to retain all bycaught salmon onboard the vessel and deliver it to their processor with the pollock catch

- Processing is observed, salmon bycatch is held in monitored bins until counted and sampled
Enforcement

- Allocation Overages
  - No Chinook Allocation Overages Occurred in 2021

- Hot Spot Closure Incursions
  - No Hot Spot Incursions – Chinook or chum salmon - Occurred in 2021

- No October Fishing Restrictions were Exceeded in 2021

- Chinook Conservation Area Closure Incursions
  - No Chinook Conservation Area Incursions Occurred in 2021