

**North Pacific Fishery Management Council**  
**C2 Pacific cod small boat access**  
**October 7, 2022**

The Council recommends Alternative 2 as its preferred alternative, with Option 1 and the Suboption. Additions to the alternative are shown in underline.

Alternative 2: Redefine the current BSAI Pacific cod jig sector to include H&L or pot CVs less than or equal to:

Option 1: 55' LOA

Suboption: B- and C-season fishery would remain jig gear only fishery. After the jig sector's A-season ends, all H&L or pot CVs less than 60' LOA would be in the same sector.

This action redefines the BSAI Pacific cod jig sector during the A-season (January 1 – April 30) to include H&L or pot CVs less than or equal to 55' LOA. All harvest from the redefined jig sector would be deducted from the jig sector's 1.4 percent allocation.

Likewise, the current <60' H&L or pot CV sector would be redefined during the A-season so that harvest only from H&L or pot CVs with a reported LOA of 56' or greater (i.e., 56'-59' LOA) would be deducted from the current <60' H&L or pot CV sector's 2 percent allocation. After the jig A-season ends on April 30, all H&L or pot CVs less than or equal to 60' LOA would be in the same sector and would be eligible for reallocations utilizing the reallocation hierarchy defined at 50 CFR 679.20(a)(7)(iii) of Federal regulations.

It is the Council's intent to maintain the current reallocation hierarchy defined at 50 CFR 679.20(a)(7)(iii)(A) that prioritizes the jig sector or the <60' H&L or pot CV sector to receive a reallocation of projected unused BSAI Pacific cod TAC from other CV sectors. It is also the Council's intent to maintain the jig sector reallocation regulation at 50 CFR 679.20(a)(7)(iv)(C) which requires a projected unused portion of a seasonal allowance from the jig sector to be reallocated to the <60' H&L or pot CV sector on or near September 1st of each year.

The Council deems proposed regulations that clearly and directly flow from the provisions of this motion to be necessary and appropriate in accordance with section 303(c).

The Council authorizes the Executive Director and the Chairman to review the draft proposed regulations when provided by NMFS to ensure that the proposed regulations to be submitted to the Secretary under section 303(c) are consistent with these instructions.