

CONSIDERATION OF INSEASON ADJUSTMENTS

The Council set optimum yield (OY) levels and various management measures for the 2006 groundfish management season with the understanding these management measures will likely need to be adjusted periodically through the biennial management period with the goal of attaining, but not exceeding, the OYs. The Groundfish Management Team (GMT) and the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) will begin meeting on Sunday, April 2, 2006 (see Ancillary A and Ancillary B agendas) to discuss and recommend inseason adjustments to ongoing 2006 groundfish fisheries.

Under this agenda item, the Council is to consider advisory body advice and public comment on the status of ongoing fisheries and recommended inseason adjustments prior to adopting final changes as necessary. The Council may provide guidance to the GMT and GAP prior to making final inseason adjustments under Agenda Item F.7 on Friday, April 7, 2006, or make final inseason adjustments under this agenda item. If the latter course is chosen, there will be opportunity to confirm or clarify the Council decision under Agenda Item F.7.

Council Action:

- 1. Consider information on the status of ongoing fisheries.**
- 2. Consider and adopt inseason adjustments as necessary.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item F.4.e, Public Comment.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agenda Item Overview
 - b. Report of the Groundfish Management Team (GMT)
 - c. Agency and Tribal Comments
 - d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - e. Public Comment
 - f. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary or Final Recommendations for Adjustments to 2006 Fisheries
- John DeVore
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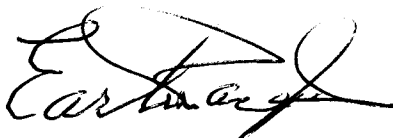
Dear John,

It has come to my attention that the Council has recently revised the weekly Daily Trip Limit quotas, and may in the near future consider further adjustments to the daily and bimonthly quotas.

I'm writing this letter in hopes that my input might reinforce our concerns over the increasing price of fuel. I have to fish beyond the 100 fathom line which is twenty miles offshore off La Push, WA . To Negate increasingly high fuel costs , I now have to consider going for the weekly one trip limit, and would have to ignore the poor safety aspects associated with cruising at night and/or staying out overnight in small one man boats, in order to maximize daylight fishing hours and decrease fuel consumption.

Please consider an increase in the daily quota for daily trip limit fisherman. If the bimonthly quota is not changed, this shouldn't be a conservation or allocation issue.

Sincerely,



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