

ENFORCEMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT ON
FURTHER COUNCIL DIRECTION FOR 2014 MANAGEMENT ALTERNATIVES

Regarding recording the numbers of salmon and halibut on state fish tickets as discussed in the Enforcement Consultants (EC) statement under Agenda Item G.2, incidental retention of Pacific halibut, after further discussion with the Salmon Technical Team, the EC would like to provide additional information for consideration.

Under current state regulations, numbers of salmon and halibut are required to be recorded on state fish tickets as follows:

- Washington: Both species are required
- Oregon: No recording requirement
- California: Only salmon are required

Therefore, the EC recommends the following information shall be required for all West Coast commercial salmon landings on the state tickets for Washington, Oregon and California:

- 1) Individual number of salmon
- 2) Individual number of Pacific halibut (as applicable when incidentally retained)

Recording this information would allow for effective enforcement of salmon fisheries involving ratios, as well as catch landing limits where individual numbers of fish are involved.

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