

**Subject: Halibut Quota**

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I am writing this in protest of the halibut quota..I think that Quota should be broken down in two parts, one for the charter boats and one for us sport fisherman. the charter boats can go out in high winds and high seas to catch halibut in so they are

By far the biggest catchers. while us small boats have to stay on shore. So I and all of us small boat owners think the Quota should be broken down in TWO parts...

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| Reason 1: | We pay the road tax on our gas   | Charter Boat: | NO fuel tax       |
| 2:        | We buy fishing licenses  |               | Another deduction |
| 3:        | We buy trailer and boat license  |               | Another deduction |
| 4:        | We can't go out in heavy seas  |               | They don't care   |
| 5:        | So I believe there should be two seasons One for them in May<br>And one for the SPORTS Fisherman in June                             |               |                   |
| 6:        | I know they have a powerful lobbying power but you got to remember<br>We [the sports man] pay your wages and keep the Fishery alive. |               |                   |

Yours truly  
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**Subject: Commercial Halibut 10 hour fishery**

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Mr. John DeVore,

Welcome to your new position with the PFMC.


It is Wednesday, June 27th, mid-day of the 10 hour commercial halibut fishery. The weather has been fair all week except for this day, which has gale warnings and 35-mile an hour winds. The weather is supposed to progressively come down by tomorrow. but the halibut opener is only today.

I know my husband and his crew along with many others is taking an unreasonable, unsafe (?) thrashing today because of the imposed timing regulations. Would it not be possible to at least lengthen the fishery to a maximum of 3 or 4 days to allow fishermen to catch their quotas in a safer environment, allowing a more opportune weather window. The catch limits have been set, and I see no harm in cooperating with the fishermen and their families in making this a safer fishery.

I would appreciate your cooperation in finding a way to lengthen the halibut opener. Please let me know what needs to be done to make this happen. I find worry and stress comes often enough with the uncertainties that face fishermen families. Please help change those things that can be changed to make a difference.

Thank you,  
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