

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE (WDFW) PROPOSED 2002
INCIDENTAL CATCH REGULATIONS FOR THE SALMON TROLL FISHERY

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is proposing options for 2002 incidental catch regulations for the salmon troll fishery as part of the Salmon Advisory Subpanel Initial Salmon Management Options for 2002 Non-Indian Ocean Fisheries (Exhibit B.5.h.).

In addition, WDFW is proposing the following option which may be combined with any of the salmon regulatory options:

Close the halibut "hotspot" area as defined in the Pacific Council Halibut Catch Sharing Plan in the North Coast subarea (WA Marine Area 3), and extend the closure south to 48°00'00"N latitude, for protection of yelloweye rockfish areas.