

In November at final action council elected to remove from their preliminary preferred alternative harvest share allocation to shore-side processors.

At the time council indicated that the Adaptive Management program would be an alternative route to satisfy the processor concerns about the transition to the IQ fishery.

We propose the following:

- A formulaic distribution to begin in year 2 of the program
- The allocation formula at year 1 of the implemented AMP program would be based upon a 3 year window period.
 - We suggest year 2007 -2009.
- AMP quota pounds pro-rated to each vessel by species based upon processor fish ticket records.
- The formula then transitions in year 2, to a rolling average based upon the previous 3 years of landing history. This could be easily transitioned to year 3 and beyond.
- Should a vessel move to another processor, the remaining vessels would continue to receive a comparable fraction of the AMP rolling pounds based upon that vessels' historical landings.

Council Decisions for implementation:

- Year 1: Council would need to identify the window period for allocation.
 - We suggest year 2007 – 2009
- Council needs to decide whether to adopt the 3 year rolling period suggested above (i.e. 2007 – 2009).
 - GMT states the running formula could be easily extended past year 2 of the program.
 - GMT also reports this formula would not be data intensive. The first receiver and total pounds on the fish ticket would be sufficient to determine the vessel AMP Quota received through that processor.

Once the formula is set, the processor has no influence on the distribution. The vessel has the control to determine whether they receive or abandon the opportunity to receive these pounds.

This proposal satisfy's the needs of communities, processors and the fishermen as directed by the council.