

Day 2 - Morning: Proposal Modifications Provided by SaMTAAC Members

As distributed to the committee.

From Michele Culver

S – 1: Gear Specific QP and QS Account Owner Opt-Out Options (WDFW)

1. At the start of the year, QS accounts would receive a specified percentage of their QP as “trawl only” and the remainder as “any gear” (the Council will determine the percent of each as part of its final recommendation). These percentages are applied to QP prior to deposit in any vessel account and are tracked as “trawl only” QP (e.g., TSBL) and “any gear” QP (e.g., SBL).
2. On September 1 of each year all the remaining sablefish QP (TSBL + SBL) becomes “any gear” QP (SBL).

SubOption 1: No Opt-out.

SubOption 2: Opt-out option for everyone. All QS account owners have a one-time opt-out designation. By opting out 100% of the QP issued to that QS account would remain “any gear.”

SubOption 3: Opt-out option for qualified fixed gear participants. All permits that had primarily used fixed gear have a one-time opt-out designation.

Qualifying criteria for the QS account:

- a. XX% of landings of QS account QP had been with fixed gear
- b. 100% of landings of QS account QP had been with fixed gear

SubOption 4: Use the control date for qualifying criteria for the QS account.

From David Crabbe

Utilization of Sablefish south of 36.

Move a portion of sablefish south trawl sector allocation between south and north using an attainment based formula annually.

- a) A percentage of un-obtained quota pounds in a particular year would be moved to the northern allocation the following season.
- b) When obtainment of sablefish south reaches a predetermined percentage of the current allocation, a percentage of the sablefish south quota which was previously moved north would be returned to the sablefish south allocation the following season.
- c) Sablefish allocation moved back to the south would not exceed sablefish south allocation determined from survey data/assessment.
- d) Sablefish south allocation would not be reduced below X percent (example 25%) of the southern trawl allocation as determined from survey data/assessment.

From Maggie Sommer

Gear switching limitation North of the 36 line:

Active Trawler Designation with History-Based Exemption

- Gear switching only allowed if the vessel/permit (TBD) has an annual Active Trawler designation or a history-based exemption
 - To qualify for an annual Active Trawler designation: vessel/permit had at least X trawl gear landings totaling at least X pounds with trawl gear in the prior calendar year(s)
 - To qualify for a history-based exemption: vessel/permit made gear-switched landings of at least X lbs of sablefish (TBD) in at least 3/4/5 (TBD) years prior to the control date
- Annual gear-switching limits:
 - Active trawler: X% of the annual trawl allocation of northern sablefish
 - Exempted vessel/permit:
 - Option 1: maximum amount of sablefish landed with non-trawl gear in any year between 2011 and the control date, as a % of the annual trawl allocation
 - Option 2: Less than the amount under Option 1 (TBD, intended to reduce the total potential gear-switched sablefish landings by all exempted vessels to 25% or less). Reduction could be applied immediately or phased in over 10 years.
- Exemption transferability/expiration options:
 - Option 1: Exemption is non-transferable and expires when the vessel/permit ownership changes (ownership-based sunset).
 - Option 2: Exemption may be transferred one time with a change in ownership of vessel/permit
 - Option 3: Exemption is permanent/freely transfers
 - Option 4: Exemption expires after 10 years

From Bob Dooley

Sablefish south of 36 degrees North Latitude

- Status Quo

a) Line and Fishery remains unchanged: No quota reallocation and unlimited gear switching is allowed by **vessels** using South Sablefish in the south (36 degrees)

- Option

a) Split South quota share into two separate categories. They would be identified as “South A” and “South B”

b) South B can be harvested below the 36 degree North latitude line with any gear. In Addition, “South B” can also be harvested with **Trawl gear only** from the 36 degree North Latitude line to the 42 degree Latitude line.

b) The annual percentage of quota share for “South B” would be determined by identifying the total unharvested South quota in the previous year and reducing that amount by **50 percent**. This percentage of unharvested South Quota would be the sum of unharvested “South A” plus the amount of South B harvested by trawl above 36. ~~any unharvested “South B”~~

c) The annual percentage of quota share for “South A” would be the remainder of the total South allocation after the above outlined procedure is applied to identified the total “South B” allocation. (Total South minus identified “South B” equals “South A”)

d) South A” can be harvested as described in Status Quo description above

From Lisa Damrosch and Bob Alverson

Lisa – CAB E for determining the gear switching limit based on the amount of QS owned.

Bob Alverson

Combine CAB A and F - permits and vessel qualify, or just the permit or just the vessel.

CAB F, drop the reservation of quota for trawl permits.

Drop below the 36 line. Either allow both or one or the other of these as an option

Qualifying requirements for permit or vessel 25k or 50k. Analysis – how many participated with some amount of gear switching. History of the permits under the EFP – how do they fair.

Matrix of qualifying requirements up to control date and to the present.