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### **2021-2022 Year-round**

# Coastwide Midwater Rockfish EFP Proposal:

Monitoring and Minimizing Salmon Bycatch When Targeting Rockfish in the Shorebased IFQ Fishery

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#### Continuation of 2019 (and 2020) EFP:

- Eliminate May 15 start date for non-whiting midwater trawl
- Eliminate selective flatfish trawl (SFFT)
   requirements for bottom trawl vessels fishing
   south of 42° and north of 40°-10′ N latitude

#### Continuation of 2019 (and 2020) EFP:

- Same structure, provisions, and terms/conditions
- Same Chinook salmon harvest guidelines and bycatch caps (to be reviewed by GMT in June 2020) –
  - 1,000 Chinook north of 42 degrees
  - 100 Chinook south of 42 degrees
- Retention requirement for salmon bycatch and provisions to increase opportunities for bycatch sampling

### Additional Bycatch Provisions

- Klamath River Salmon Conservation Zone
- Columbia River Salmon Conservation Zone
- Industry-Based Bycatch Avoidance Measures
  - Real-time bycatch reporting/communication
  - Move-along (avoidance) rules
  - Weekly catch updates through PSMFC

## 2018 Rockfish EFP Summary

EFP Region	Vessels	Trips	Chinook	Unid. Salmon	Coho	Green Sturgeon	Eulachon	Groundfish Lbs.	Groundfish \$\$\$
N of 42	17	196	15	0	0	0	67	13,276,091	\$4,915,570.69
S of 42	-C-	22	*177*	0	0	0	0	984,972	\$455,991.12
TOTAL 2018 EFP	-C-	218	192	0	0	0	67	14,261,063	\$5,371,561.81

<sup>\*173</sup> Chinook from the large bycatch event south of 42°N. lat. were not counted against the EFP, because no EFP exemptions were used.\*

# 2019 Rockfish EFP Summary

EFP Region	Vessels	Trips	Chinook	Unid. Salmon	Coho	Green Sturgeon	Hulachon	Groundfish Lbs.	Groundfish \$\$\$
N of 42	18	182	41	0	0	0	0	13,185,208	\$4,429,909.36
S of 42	4	27	7	0	0	0	0	814,745	\$469,432.97
TOTAL 2019 EFP YTD		209	48	0	0	0	0	13,999,953	\$4,899,342.32

Through October 28, 2019

2021-2022 Rockfish EFP will continue to collect data during the transition time needed to implement changes to West Coast Groundfish Fishery Regulations.

- 2020 Year 3 for year-round midwater trawl EFP
- 2021 Year 3 for selective flatfish trawl EFP south of 42 degrees