Preliminary Tribal Management Measures for 2021-2022 Groundfish Fisheries

Black Rockfish - The 2021 and 2022 tribal harvest guidelines will be set at 30,000 pounds for the management area between the US/Canada border and Cape Alava, and 10,000 pounds for the management area located between Destruction Island and Leadbetter Point. No tribal harvest restrictions are proposed for the management area between Cape Alava and Destruction Island.

Sablefish - The 2021 and 2022 tribal set asides for sablefish will be set at 10 percent of the Monterey through Vancouver area ACL minus approximately 1.5 percent to account for estimated discard mortality. Allocations among tribes and among gear types, if any, will be determined by the tribes.

Pacific cod - The tribes will be subject to a 500 mt harvest guideline per year.

Longspine thornyhead - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 30 mt harvest guideline per year.

Shortspine thronyhead - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 50 mt harvest guideline per year.

Canary Rockfish - Tribal fisheries will be restricted to 50 mt harvest guideline per year.

Darkblotched Rockfish - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a .2 mt harvest guideline per year.

Pacific Ocean Perch - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 9.2 mt harvest guideline per year.

Minor Nearshore Rockfish – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 1.5 mt harvest guideline per year.

Minor Shelf Rockfish – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 30 mt harvest guideline per year.

Minor Slope Rockfish – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 36 mt harvest guideline per year.

Other Minor Nearshore, Shelf and Slope Rockfish - Tribal fisheries will be restricted to a 300 pound per trip limit for each species group, or the Limited Entry trip limits if they are less restrictive than the 300 pound per trip limit, except that redstripe rockfish will be restricted to 800 pounds per trip.

Yelloweye Rockfish - Tribal fisheries will be restricted to 100 pounds per trip limit, and a 5 mt treaty set aside per year.

Lingcod - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 250 mt harvest guideline per year.

Cabezon – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 2 mt harvest guideline per year.

Spiny Dogfish – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 275 mt harvest guideline per year.

Petrale Sole – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 350 mt harvest guideline per year.

Dover Sole – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 1,497 mt harvest guideline per year.

English Sole – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 200 mt harvest guideline per year.

Arrowtooth Founder – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 2,041 mt harvest guideline per year.

Other Flatfish – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 60 mt harvest guideline per year.

Longnose Skate – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 220 mt harvest guideline per year.

Big Skate – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 15 mt harvest guideline per year.

Yellowtail rockfish – Tribal midwater trawl fisheries will be subject to a 1,000 mt catch limit per year.

Widow rockfish - Tribal midwater trawl fisheries will be subject to a 200 mt catch limit per year.

Full Retention - The tribes will require full retention of all overfished rockfish species as well as all other marketable rockfishes during treaty fisheries.

Trawl Fisheries for 2021 and 2022

Midwater Trawl Fishery - Treaty fishermen using midwater trawl gear will be restricted to the yellowtail rockfish and widow rockfish catch limits as listed above.

Bottom Trawl Fishery - Treaty fishermen using bottom trawl gear will be managed to achieve, but not exceed, the set-asides requested for Pacific cod, big skate, longnose skate, shortspine and longspine thornyhead, petrale sole, Dover sole, English sole, rex sole, arrowtooth flounder, and Other Flatfish as listed above in this document.

The limits available to individual fishermen may be adjusted inseason to stay within the overall harvest target as well as estimated impacts to overfished species. Fishermen will be restricted to small footrope (≤ 8 inches) trawl gear. Exploration of the use of selective flatfish trawl gear may be conducted.

Observer Programs:

The Makah Tribe has an observer program in place to monitor and enforce the limits proposed above within the trawl fisheries.

The Quinault Indian Nation will develop and implement an observer program to monitor and enforce the limits proposed above within the trawl fisheries.