

INSEASON ADJUSTMENTS – FINAL ACTION

Management measures for groundfish are set by the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) with the general understanding that these measures will likely need to be modified within the biennium to attain, but not exceed, the annual catch limits (ACLs). This agenda item will consider progress to date of the 2020 groundfish fisheries. The Council has the opportunity to recommend adjustments to current routine management measures, such as trip limits, necessary to achieve management objectives.

Technical Correction for Sablefish in the 2021-2022 Harvest Specifications

During the review of the draft preliminary environmental assessment for the 2021-2022 harvest specifications and management measures, the sablefish north and south of 36° N. lat. ACLs were found to have been entered incorrectly in the preferred 2021 and 2022 harvest specifications spreadsheet ([Agenda Item F.1., Attachment 7, June 2020](#)) as well as in corresponding Tables 2-7 and 2-8 of the analytical document ([Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 8, June 2020](#)). While this error was typographical and did not carry through into the analyses, the Council adopted the harvest specifications for sablefish based on the incorrect ACLs amounts in June 2020. Therefore, the Council should consider approving these corrections so that the correct harvest specifications data are available to management entities and stakeholders. The corrected data, and associated tables, are provided for Council review in Agenda Item D.5, Attachment 1, September 2020.

Council Action:

- 1. Consider Projections for the 2020 Fisheries and Adopt Final Inseason Adjustments as Necessary to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives.**
- 2. Consider Approving Corrected Annual Catch Limit Values for Sablefish North of 36° N. lat and South of 36° N. lat.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item D.5, Attachment 1: Corrected Sablefish Annual Catch Limits For 2021 And 2022 Harvest Specifications And Management Measures.
2. If received, Public Comments are electronic only ([see e-portal](#)).

Agenda Order:

- D.5 Inseason Adjustments – Final Action Todd Phillips
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Inseason Adjustments , as Necessary to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives.