

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON
INSEASON ADJUSTMENTS FOR 2021 – FINAL ACTION

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) met with the Groundfish Management Team (GMT) to discuss progress of this year's fishery and possible inseason adjustments. The GMT discussion was led by Ms. Melissa Mandrup. The GAP offers the following recommendations and comments on proposed inseason adjustments to ongoing groundfish fisheries.

Retention of Incidental Lingcod North of 40° 10' N. lat. in the Salmon Troll Fishery

Industry representatives from the salmon troll fishery have requested an adjustment to the incidental lingcod trip limit in the salmon troll fishery. That request is for one lingcod per two Chinook salmon, plus one lingcod, with a trip limit of ten lingcod. The trip limit of ten lingcod is status quo.

Having discussed the issue thoroughly, the GAP is supportive of this request:

North of 40° 10' N. latitude:

One lingcod per two Chinook salmon, plus one lingcod, with a trip limit of ten lingcod

2021/2022 Biennial Harvest Specifications and Management Measures

The GAP supports the GMT proposal to correct, through an inseason action, a typographical error of a correction to the 2021/2022 biennial harvest specifications and management measure rule that was published on March 18, 2021. Once adopted by the Council, that corrected boundary for the non-trawl RCA south of 34° 27' N. lat. will be from 100 - 150 fathoms. That will be consistent with the Council action taken under the 2021-22 harvest specifications and management measures agenda item.

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