

C.2 Incidental Catch Recommendations: Options for Salmon Troll and Final Action on Recommendations for Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries

Council Action:

1. Recommend inseason changes to halibut landing restrictions in the salmon troll fishery during April 1-May 15, 2023, as necessary.
2. Adopt for public review a range of options for halibut landing restrictions in the salmon troll fishery beginning May 16, 2023, and for April 1-May 15, 2024.
3. Adopt final halibut landing restrictions for the fixed gear sablefish fishery north of Point Chehalis for the 2023 season beginning April 1.

DRAFT - NOT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES

C.2 WDFW Motion 1

I move the Council adopt for public review the alternatives presented in Agenda Item C.2.a, Supplemental SAS Report 1, March 2023 for halibut landing restrictions in the salmon troll fishery in 2023 beginning May 16 and for April 1 through May 15, 2024, and, recommend no change to the current incidental Pacific halibut retention limits for April 1 through May 15, 2023.

Moved by Heather Hall

Seconded by Butch Smith

Motion passed unanimously.

C.2 WDFW Motion 2

I move the Council adopt a final trip limit ratio of 150 pounds of Pacific halibut per 1,000 pounds of sablefish plus 2 additional Pacific halibut for the primary sablefish fishery north of Point Chehalis, Washington, as recommended in Supplemental GAP Report 1, March 2023.

Moved by Heather Hall

Seconded by Corey Ridings

Motion passed unanimously.