

Preliminary 2027-2028 Tribal Management Measures

Black Rockfish - The 2027 and 2028 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 2027 and 2028 tribal set asides for sablefish will be set at 10 percent of the Monterey through Vancouver area ACL minus approximately 1.9 percent to account for estimated discard mortality. Allocations among tribes and among gear types, if any, will be determined by the tribes.

For all other tribal groundfish fisheries the following trip limits will apply:

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

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

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

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

Darkblotched Rockfish - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 5 mt per year harvest guideline.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Pacific Ocean Perch - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 130 mt per year harvest guideline.

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

Petrale Sole – Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 322 mt per year harvest guideline.

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

Starry Flounder - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 2 mt per year harvest guideline.

Thornyheads - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 50 mt per year harvest guideline for shortspine thornyheads and 30 mt per year harvest guideline for longspine thornyheads.

Widow Rockfish – Directed Tribal mid-water trawl fisheries are subject to a catch limit of 200 mt for the entire fleet, per year.

Yelloweye Rockfish - Tribal fisheries will be subject to a 16 mt per year harvest guideline, and will be restricted to a limit of 500 pounds per trip.

Yellowtail Rockfish – Directed Tribal mid-water trawl fisheries are subject to a catch limit of 1,000 mt for the entire fleet, 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 2027 and 2028

Midwater Trawl Fishery – Treaty fishermen using midwater trawl gear will be managed to achieve, but not exceed, the set-asides requested for yellowtail rockfish, widow rockfish, Pacific ocean perch, and canary rockfish as listed in this document.

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.

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