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§ 17.108 [Amended]

■ 2. Amend § 17.108 as follows:

■ a. Remove paragraphs (c)(5), including the map “Pansy Bayou Manatee Refuge,” and (c)(11), including the map “Cocoa Beach Manatee Refuge.”

■ b. Redesignate paragraphs (c)(6) through (c)(10) as paragraphs (c)(5) through (c)(9), respectively.

■ c. Redesignate paragraphs (c)(12) through (c)(15) as paragraphs (c)(10) through (c)(13), respectively.

■ d. Amend new paragraphs (c)(10)(i)–(ix) by removing the words “paragraph (12)(x)” each time they appear and adding the words “paragraph (10)(x)” in their place.

■ e. Amend new paragraphs (c)(11)(i)–(iv) by removing the words “paragraph (13)(v)” each time they appear and adding the words “paragraph (11)(v)” in their place.

■ f. Amend new paragraphs (c)(12)(i)–(xi) by removing the words “paragraph (14)(xii)” each time they appear and adding the words “paragraph (12)(xii)” in their place.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 660

[Docket No. 031216314–3314–01; I.D. 0070104B]

Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Annual Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Inseason adjustments to management measures and a request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces inseason adjustments to the Pacific Coast limited entry trawl and fixed gear groundfish fisheries. These actions, which are authorized by the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP), will allow fisheries access to more abundant groundfish stocks while

protecting overfished and depleted stocks.

DATES: Changes to management measures are effective 0001 hours (local time) on July 1, 2004, until the 2005–2006 specifications and management measures are effective, unless modified, superseded, or rescinded through a publication in the **Federal Register**. Comments on this rule will be accepted through August 2, 2004.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by (i.d. #), by any of the following methods:

• E-mail:

GroundfishInseason#5.nwr@noaa.gov. Include the I.D. number in the subject line of the message.

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: *http://www.regulations.gov*. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access

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www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html.

Background information and documents are available at the NMFS Northwest Region Web site at: *www.nwr.noaa.gov/1sustfsh/gdfsh01.htm* and at the Pacific Fishery Management Council's Web site at: *www.pcouncil.org*.

Background

The Pacific Coast Groundfish FMP and its implementing regulations at 50 CFR part 660, subpart G, regulate fishing for over 80 species of groundfish off the coast of Washington, Oregon, and California. Groundfish specifications and management measures are developed by the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) and are implemented by NMFS. The specifications and management measures for the 2004 fishing year (January 1–December 31, 2004) were initially published in the **Federal Register** as an emergency rule for January 1–February 29, 2004 (69 FR 1322, January 8, 2004) and as a proposed rule for March 1–December 31, 2004 (69 FR 1380, January 8, 2004). The emergency rule was amended at 69 FR 4084, January 28, 2004. The final

rule for March 1–December 31, 2004 was published in the **Federal Register** on March 9, 2004 (69 FR 11064) and amended at 69 FR 23440, April 29, 2004, at 69 FR 25013, May 5, 2004, at 69 FR 28086, May 18, 2004, and at 69 FR 38857, June 29, 2004.

The following changes to current groundfish management measures were recommended by the Pacific Council, in consultation with Pacific Coast Treaty Tribes and the States of Washington, Oregon, and California, at its June 13–18, 2004, meeting in Foster City, CA. Inseason adjustments to limited entry trawl and fixed gear management measures are in response to groundfish landings through the end of April and projected catch through the end of the year. Adjusted management measures are intended to: (1) Allow groundfish optimum yields (OYs) to be achieved but not exceeded, (2) reduce the discard of overfished species by providing for incidental catch allowances in target fisheries for abundant groundfish species, (3) clarify limited entry trawl differential trip limits, (4) adjust limited entry trawl gear requirements, and (5) revise both the 75 fm (137 m) and 150 fm (274 m) rockfish conservation area boundaries so that they more closely follow their respective depth contours. Pacific Coast groundfish landings will be monitored throughout the year, and further adjustments to trip limits or management measures will be made as necessary to allow the achievement of or to avoid exceeding the 2004 OYs.

Limited Entry Trawl Differential Footrope Limits Coastwide

Differential limited entry trawl trip limits have been used as a fisheries management tool in the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery since 2000. Initially, higher trip limits were available if fishers used small footrope or midwater gear, as opposed to large footrope gear, during harvesting. Generally, neither small footrope or midwater gear are useful for trawling the ocean floor in areas of high relief, rocky habitat. Encouraging the use of these gear types was intended to decrease the catch of certain rockfish species associated with the ocean floor and to protect rocky habitat. When rockfish conservation areas (RCAs) were established in 2003, NMFS slightly modified the intent and application of differential trawl trip limits. As of 2003, the use of small footrope and/or midwater gear has been permitted both shoreward and seaward of the RCA coastwide, while the use of large footrope gear has only been permitted seaward of the RCA

coastwide. Certain overfished species, specifically canary rockfish, require low harvest levels for rebuilding and are more likely to be encountered shoreward of the trawl RCA than seaward of the trawl RCA. In 2003, management measures were designed in part to discourage trawling on the ocean floor shoreward of the RCA and encourage fishing seaward of the RCA and/or the use of midwater trawl gear. For 2003, higher trip limits were available seaward of the RCA if fishers used large footrope or midwater trawl gear rather than small footrope trawl gear. In the area between the U.S./Canada border and 40°10' N. lat., higher trip limits were available if fishers used large footrope or midwater trawl gear during 2004, with large footrope gear permitted only seaward of the RCA. Because canary rockfish are less frequently encountered by trawl fisheries in the area between 40°10' N. lat. and the U.S./Mexico border, differential trip limits vary on a species by species basis and encourage fishing both shoreward and seaward of the RCA.

At the June Pacific Council meeting, the Pacific Council's Groundfish Management Team (GMT) discussed the intent and application of differential trip limits. They clarified that in the area between the U.S./Canada border and 40°10' N. lat. midwater trawl gear should only be used in the Pacific whiting fishery and that midwater trawl trip limits were only intended as incidental catch allowances in the whiting fishery. In order to discourage the use of midwater trawl gear shoreward of the RCA in the area between the U.S./Canada border and 40°10' N. lat. and restore the intent of midwater trawl trip limits, the GMT recommended removing midwater trawl trip limits for groundfish species not associated with the whiting fishery. Widow rockfish, an overfished species, and yellowtail rockfish are encountered in the whiting fishery. Incidental catch allowances for these two species minimizes the harvest of widow rockfish by discouraging directed fishing for these species while reducing groundfish discard by allowing the landing of widow and yellowtail rockfish encountered in the whiting fishery. The Pacific Council concurred with the GMT's recommendation, therefore, midwater trip limits will be removed from Table 3 (North) for all groundfish species except whiting, widow rockfish, and yellowtail rockfish. The GMT also identified for 2004 that offering low trip limits for small footrope and/or midwater trawl gear, in

the area between 40°10' N. lat. and the U.S./Mexico border, does not provide for a midwater chilipepper fishery seaward of the RCA (for more information see the discussion below under Limited Entry Trawl Chilipepper Trip Limit heading). Therefore, the GMT recommended that higher trip limits be contingent upon the use of large footrope and/or midwater trawl gear seaward of the RCA for the remainder of the year. To ensure consistency with the chilipepper fishery and enhance the enforceability of differential trip limits south of 40°10' N. lat., higher trip limits offered for bocaccio, lingcod, and minor shelf and widow rockfish will be contingent upon the use of large footrope and/or midwater trawl gear seaward of the RCA (for more information see discussion below under Incidental Catch Allowances in the Limited Entry Trawl Fishery heading).

In order to further encourage trawling seaward rather than shoreward of the RCA, thereby limiting the harvest of canary rockfish, NMFS also implemented another requirement associated with differential trawl trip limits coastwide in 2003. If fishers used small footrope trawl gear at any time or in any area coastwide during a two-month cumulative limit period, they would be restricted to the more restrictive, smaller trip limits available with small footrope gear for the two-month cumulative limit period. The GMT reviewed the intent and application of this differential trip limit requirement at the June Pacific Council meeting and found this requirement to be unnecessarily restrictive. This requirement was primarily developed to limit the harvest of canary rockfish. While canary rockfish are distributed coastwide, the stock is more concentrated in the area between the U.S./Canada border and 40°10' N. lat. Therefore, the GMT recommended, and the Pacific Council concurred with, the requirement that if fishers use small footrope trawl gear north of 40°10' N. lat. any time during a two-month cumulative limit period, they would be restricted to the more restrictive, smaller trip limits available with small footrope gear for the two-month cumulative limit period. However, the Pacific Council also recommended that if vessels do not use small footrope trawl gear north of 40°10' N. lat., vessels are not restricted to the more restrictive, smaller trip limits available with small footrope gear for the two-month cumulative limit period. Additionally, for the area north of 40°10' N. lat., the Pacific Council recommended that on non-whiting trips, vessels with both large footrope and

midwater trawl gear on board during a trip may land the large footrope limits while fishing with large footrope gear seaward of the RCA should be added. In the area south of 40°10' N. lat., vessels may have more than one type of limited entry bottom trawl gear on board, but the most restrictive trip limit associated with the gear on board applies for that trip and will count toward the cumulative trip limit for that gear. For clarification, the Pacific Council recommended that language be added stating that for vessels using more than one type of trawl gear during a cumulative limit period, limits are additive up to the largest limit for the type of gear used during that period. For example, if a vessel harvests 800 lb (363 kg) of chilipepper rockfish with small footrope gear, it may harvest up to 11,200 lb (5,080 kg) of chilipepper rockfish with large footrope gear during July and August. These differential trip limit changes are reflected in the limited entry trawl trip limit tables (Table 3(North) and Table 3(South)).

Limited Entry Trawl Sablefish, Dover Sole, and Shortspine Thornyhead and Petrale Sole Trip Limits

At the beginning of 2004, NMFS took precautionary measures and set relatively low limited entry trawl trip limits pending new trawl bycatch model catch predictions. NMFS updated trawl bycatch model catch predictions by incorporating additional West Coast Observer Program data (2002–2003) and by adjusting for the limited entry trawl permit and vessel buyback. Based on these updated trawl catch predictions, NMFS increased the limited entry trawl trip limits for the remainder of 2004 (69 FR 28086, May 18, 2004).

Following the increased limited entry trawl trip limits effective in May, landings reported in the Pacific Coast Fisheries Information Network (PacFIN) were higher than predicted for Dover sole, shortspine thornyhead, sablefish, and petrale sole. In order to slow the fishery and allow for year-around trawling opportunities, the Council recommended that trip limits be lowered for these species.

When the 2004 trawl trip limits for flatfish were developed, NMFS's intent was to include the petrale sole trip limit as a sublimit of the "other flatfish" trip limit. However, in both the emergency rule (69 FR 1322, January 8, 2004) implementing groundfish specifications and management measures for January–February and the final rule (69 FR 11064, March 9, 2004) implementing management measures for March–December, both petrale sole and "other flatfish" had independent trip limits. As

mentioned above, the catch of petrale sole is tracking higher than predicted in PacFIN through the end of April. Therefore, the Pacific Council recommended that the petrale sole trip limit be incorporated as a sublimit of the "other flatfish" limit with this inseason action as was NMFS's intent at the beginning of the year, as well as reducing the trip limit.

Given the above recommendations, in the area between the U.S./Canada border and 40°10' N. lat., the adjusted trip limits for sablefish, shortspine thornyhead, Dover sole, petrale sole, and "other flatfish" are as follows. The limited entry trawl large footrope trip limit for sablefish will be decreased from 16,000 lb (7,257 kg) per two months to 15,000 lb (6,804 kg) per two months for July–October. The previously scheduled November–December large footrope sablefish trip limit of 11,000 lb (4,990 kg) per two months remains unchanged. The limited entry trawl large footrope trip limit for shortspine thornyhead will be decreased from 4,500 lb (2,041 kg) per two months to 4,100 lb (1,860 kg) per two months for July–December. The limited entry trawl large footrope trip limit for Dover sole will be decreased from 32,000 lb (14,515 kg) per two months to 31,000 lb (13,801 kg) per two months for July–October. The previously scheduled November–December large footrope Dover sole trip limit of 50,000 lb (22,680 kg) per two months remains unchanged. The limited entry trawl large footrope trip limit for petrale sole will be decreased from 100,000 lb (45,359 kg) per two months to a combined "other flatfish" large footrope limit of 100,000 lb (45,359 kg) per two months, no more than 30,000 lb (13,608 kg) of which may be petrale sole, for July–October. As was previously scheduled for November–December, the harvest of petrale sole with large footrope gear will not be limited. The limited entry trawl small footrope trip limit for "other flatfish" will be decreased from 80,000 lb (36,287 kg) per two months, no more than 30,000 lb (13,608 kg) of which may be petrale sole, to 80,000 lb (36,287 kg) per two months, no more than 26,000 lb (11,793 kg) of which may be petrale sole, for July–October. The previously scheduled November–December small footrope "other flatfish" trip limit of 70,000 lb (31,752 kg) per two months, no more than 20,000 lb (9,072 kg) of which may be petrale sole, remains unchanged.

In the area between 40°10' N. lat. and the U.S./Mexico border, the adjusted trip limits for sablefish, shortspine thornyhead, and Dover sole are as follows. The limited entry trawl trip

limit for sablefish will be decreased from 14,500 lb (6,577 kg) per two months to 13,000 lb (5,897 kg) per two months for July–December. The limited entry trawl trip limit for shortspine thornyhead will be decreased from 4,500 lb (2,041 kg) per two months to 4,100 lb (1,860 kg) per two months for July–December. The limited entry trawl trip limit for Dover sole will be decreased from 49,000 lb (22,226 kg) per two months to 48,000 lb (21,772 kg) per two months for July–October. The previously scheduled November–December Dover sole trip limit of 49,000 lb (22,226 kg) per two months remains unchanged.

Limited Entry Midwater and Small Footrope Trawl Chilepepper Trip Limit South of 40°10' N. Lat.

Because chilepepper rockfish (an abundant groundfish species) and bocaccio (an overfished groundfish species) are co-occurring species, limited entry trawl limits for chilepepper rockfish were incorporated as part of minor shelf rockfish limits in 2003 to eliminate all targeting opportunities for chilepepper where bocaccio may have been incidentally taken. The 2004 bocaccio OY (250 mt) was set higher than the 2003 bocaccio OY (≤ 20 mt) following a new stock assessment. With a higher bocaccio OY in 2004, conservative targeting opportunities for chilepepper were restored.

At the June Pacific Council meeting, the GMT received a request from the Pacific Council's Groundfish Advisory Panel (GAP) that trip limits in Table 3 (South) allow for a midwater chilepepper fishery seaward of the RCA. The previously scheduled midwater trawl and/or small footrope chilepepper limit was low (300 lb (136 kg) per two months) to allow for incidental catch while discouraging fishing shoreward of the RCA. By specifying that midwater trawl gear may not be used shoreward of the RCA south of 40°10' N. lat., midwater trip limits are available only seaward of the RCA and may be increased to be equivalent to the limits available using large footrope trawl gear. Therefore, the GMT recommended and the Pacific Council concurred that the limited entry trawl midwater limit for chilepepper be increased from 300 lb (136 kg) per month to the previously scheduled large footrope limit of 12,000 lb (5,443 kg) per two months during July–August and 8,000 lb (3,629 kg) per two months for September–December. Additionally, the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) recommended and the Pacific Council concurred that the limited entry trawl small footrope

limit for minor shelf, widow, and chilepepper rockfish be increased from 300 lb (136 kg) per month to 1,000 lb (454 kg) per month, no more than 200 lb (90 kg) per month of which may be minor shelf and widow rockfish. These trip limit adjustments will provide much needed revenue for the limited entry trawl fleet without resulting in excessive catch of bocaccio.

Limited Entry Trawl Widow Rockfish and Yellowtail Rockfish Midwater Trip Limits

When developing the 2004 groundfish management measures and specifications in the fall of 2003, it was NMFS's intention to prohibit the directed widow rockfish and yellowtail rockfish midwater trawl fishery during November–December. This action is necessary to prohibit the directed widow rockfish midwater fishery during November–December because the 2004 widow rockfish OY is intended to allow for the incidental catch of widow rockfish, but it cannot accommodate a directed fishery. Because widow and canary rockfish are known to co-occur with yellowtail rockfish, it is necessary to also prohibit the directed yellowtail rockfish midwater fishery during November and December to keep the harvest of widow and canary rockfish within their 2004 OYs. Therefore, the Pacific Council recommended that the limited entry trawl trip limit Table 3 (North) be adjusted to prohibit the directed midwater fishery for widow rockfish and yellowtail rockfish during November–December.

Incidental Catch Allowances in the Limited Entry Trawl Fishery

Harvest levels for overfished groundfish species are developed using each species' rebuilding plan specifications. Trip limits for overfished species are generally low and designed to allow overfished stocks to rebuild while allowing for the incidental catch of overfished species during the harvesting of co-occurring abundant groundfish species. These trip limits are not intended to provide for directed fishing on overfished stocks.

At the June Pacific Council meeting, the GMT received feedback from the GAP that some limited entry trawl limits for overfished species are not adequate to provide incidental catch allowances in the limited entry trawl fishery and are resulting in discard. In May 2004, NMFS implemented limited entry trawl increases for DTS (Dover sole, thornyheads, sablefish) species and chilepepper rockfish (69 FR 28086, May 18, 2004). Based on those trip limit increases, the GMT determined that trip

limits for lingcod and widow rockfish, could be increased to accommodate incidental catch in the DTS fishery. Similarly, trip limits for bocaccio could be increased to allow for the incidental catch in the chilipepper fishery. Incorporating the previously discussed inseason adjustments to differential trip limits, the Pacific Council recommended the following trip limit increases.

In the area between the U.S./Canada border and 40°10' N. lat., the limited entry trawl large footrope trip limit for lingcod will be 500 lb (227 kg) per two months for July–December. In the area between 40°10' N. lat. and the U.S./Mexico border, the limited entry trawl large footrope and midwater trip limit for lingcod will be 500 lb (227 kg) per two months for July–December. Previously, the retention of lingcod with large footrope or midwater trawl gear was prohibited coastwide. In the area between the U.S./Canada border and 40°10' N. lat., the limited entry trawl large footrope trip limit for minor shelf and widow rockfish will be 300 lb (136 kg) per two months for July–December. Similar to the previously scheduled lingcod limit, the retention of minor shelf and widow rockfish was prohibited. In the area between 40°10' N. lat. and the U.S./Mexico border, the limited entry trawl large footrope and midwater trip limit for bocaccio will be increased from 100 lb (45 kg) per two months to 300 lb (136 kg) per two months for July–December. These limited entry trawl trip limit increases will reduce discard in the Pacific Coast groundfish fisheries and enable the OYs for DTS species and chilipepper rockfish to be achieved but not exceeded while continuing to allow for the rebuilding of overfished stocks.

Limited Entry Fixed Gear Bocaccio Limits Between 40°10' N. Lat. and 34°27' N. Lat.

In keeping with bocaccio trip limit increases in the limited entry trawl fishery, to accommodate incidental catch in the chilipepper fishery, the Pacific Council also recommended increasing the fixed gear bocaccio trip limit for the remainder of the year. Therefore, in the area between 40°10' N. lat. and 34°27' N. lat., the limited entry fixed gear limit for bocaccio will be increased from 100 lb (45 kg) per two months during July–August and 200 lb (90 kg) per two months during September–December to 300 lb (136 kg) per two months for the remainder of the year. Neither this inseason adjustment nor any other inseason adjustments are predicted to cause the total mortality of bocaccio to exceed its 2004 OY.

Adjustments to Rockfish Conservation Area Boundaries

During the June Pacific Council meeting, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) and CDFG requested adjustments to RCA boundaries. CDFG requested adjustments to specific latitude and longitude coordinates in the 75 fm (137 m) RCA boundary to allow the RCA to more closely follow the 75 fm (137 m) depth contour and allow access to sandy areas for sanddab fishing in California's Half Moon Bay area. This request was included in the GMT's statement on inseason actions and recommended by the Pacific Council. Additionally, WDFW requested adjustments to the 150 fm (274 m) RCA boundary off Washington so that it would more closely follow the 150 fm (274 m) depth contour and would be similar to Washington's Winter Petrale RCA boundary (which also follows the 150 fm (137 m) depth contour). WDFW's request was made to NMFS directly and was not included in the GMT statement or Pacific Council recommendation. NMFS will implement both adjustments to the RCA boundaries with this inseason action.

NMFS Actions

For the reasons stated herein, NMFS concurs with the Pacific Council's recommendations and hereby announces the following changes to the 2004 specifications and management measures (69 FR 11064, March 9, 2004, as amended at 69 FR 23440, April 29, 2004, at 69 FR 25013, May 5, 2004, at 69 FR 28086, May 18, 2004, and at 69 FR 38857, June 29, 2004) to read as follows:

1. On page 11087, in section IV. NMFS Actions, under A. General Definitions and Provisions, revise paragraphs (14)(b)(ii) and (iii) to read as follows:

IV. NMFS Actions

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A. General Definitions and Provisions

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(b) * * *

(ii) *Small footrope or midwater trawl gear.* Cumulative trip limits for canary rockfish, widow rockfish (South of 40°10' N. lat.) yellowtail rockfish (North of 40°10' N. lat.) minor shelf rockfish (North of 40°10' N. lat.) minor nearshore rockfish, as indicated in Table 3 to section IV., are allowed only if small footrope gear or midwater trawl gear is used, and if that gear meets the specifications in paragraph IV.A.(14) and at 50 CFR 660.322. For Dover sole, longspine thornyhead, shortspine

thornyhead, flatfish complex species including petrale sole, rex sole, or arrowtooth flounder there are or may be cumulative trip limits that are more restrictive for vessels using small footrope gear than for large footrope gear or midwater gear. These more restrictive limits recognize that small footrope gear may be used inshore of the RCAs and are intended to limit trawl effort in the nearshore area. North of 40°10' N. lat., limits are generally more restrictive for small footrope trawl gear. When limits are more restrictive for small footrope gear, those limits apply to and constrain any vessel using small footrope gear north of 40°10' N. lat. at any time during the cumulative limit period to which the landings limits apply.

(iii) *Midwater trawl gear.* Yellowtail and widow rockfish are only available to trawl vessels using midwater trawl gear when those vessels are fishing for Pacific whiting during the primary whiting season. Each landing that contains yellowtail or widow rockfish is attributed to the gear on board with the most restrictive trip limit for those species. Landings attributed to small footrope trawl must not exceed the small footrope limit, and landings attributed to midwater trawl must not exceed the midwater trawl limit. If a vessel has landings attributed to small footrope and midwater trawl during a cumulative trip limit period, all landings are counted toward the most restrictive gear-specific cumulative limit. On non-whiting trips, vessels with both large footrope and midwater trawl gear on board during a trip may land the large footrope limits while fishing with large footrope gear seaward of the RCA.

2. On pages 11094–11095, in section IV. NMFS Actions, under A. General Definitions and Provisions, paragraph (17)(vi) is revised to read as follows:

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(131) 37°24.16' N. lat., 122°51.96' W. long.;
(132) 37°23.32' N. lat., 122°52.38' W. long.;
(133) 37°04.12' N. lat., 122°38.94' W. long.;
(134) 36°00.64' N. lat., 122°33.26' W. long.;
(135) 36°59.15' N. lat., 122°27.84' W. long.;
(136) 37°01.41' N. lat., 122°24.41' W. long.;
(137) 36°58.75' N. lat., 122°23.81' W. long.;
(138) 36°59.17' N. lat., 122°21.44' W. long.;
(139) 36°57.51' N. lat., 122°20.69' W. long.;
(140) 36°51.46' N. lat., 122°10.01' W. long.;
(141) 36°48.43' N. lat., 122°06.47' W. long.;
(142) 36°48.66' N. lat., 122°04.99' W. long.;
(143) 36°47.75' N. lat., 122°03.33' W. long.;
(144) 36°51.23' N. lat., 121°57.79' W. long.;
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(146) 36°48.84' N. lat., 121°58.68' W. long.;
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(161) 36°20.93' N. lat., 122°00.28' W. long.;
(162) 36°18.23' N. lat., 122°03.10' W. long.;
(163) 36°14.21' N. lat., 121°57.73' W. long.;
(164) 36°14.68' N. lat., 121°55.43' W. long.;
(165) 36°10.42' N. lat., 121°42.90' W. long.;
(166) 36°02.55' N. lat., 121°36.35' W. long.;
(167) 36°01.04' N. lat., 121°36.47' W. long.;
(168) 35°58.25' N. lat., 121°32.88' W. long.;
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(183) 34°09.58' N. lat., 119°25.94' W. long.;
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3. On pages 11099–11100, in section IV. NMFS Actions, under A. General Definitions and Provisions, paragraph (17)(ix) is revised to read as follows:

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 (272) 32°34.83' N. lat., 117°24.69' W. long.
4. On pages 11108–11114, in section IV. NMFS Actions, under B. Limited Entry Fishery, at the end of paragraph (1), Table 3 (North), Table 3 (South), Table 4 (North), and Table 4 (South) are revised to read as follows:
- IV. NMFS Actions**
- B. Limited Entry Fishery*
- (1) * * *
- * * * * *
- BILLING CODE 3510–55–P**

Table 3 (North). 2004 Trip Limits and Gear Requirements^{1/} for Limited Entry Trawl Gear North of 40°10' N. Latitude^{2/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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Rockfish Conservation Area^{10/} (RCA):						
North of 40°10' N. lat.	75 fm - modified 200 fm ^{11/}	60 fm - 200 fm	60 fm - 150 fm	75 fm - 150 fm		
Small footrope or midwater trawl gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all trawl gear (large footrope, midwater trawl, and small footrope gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA.						
A vessel may have more than one type of limited entry bottom trawl gear on board, but the most restrictive trip limit associated with the gear on board applies for that trip and will count toward the cumulative trip limit for that gear. A vessel that is trawling within the RCA (or other closed area) with trawl gear authorized for use within the RCA (or other closed area) may not have any other type of trawl gear on board. North of 40°10' N. lat., midwater trawl gear is permissible only for vessels participating in the primary whiting season. On non-whiting trips, vessels with both large footrope and midwater trawl gear on board during a trip may land the large footrope limits while fishing with large footrope gear seaward of the RCA. Crossover provisions apply. See IV.A.(14)(b)(iv) and IV.B.(3)(c) for details.						
1 Minor slope rockfish^{3/}	4,000 lb/ 2 months		8,000 lb/ 2 months			
2 Pacific ocean perch	3,000 lb/ 2 months					
3 DTS complex	Providing only large footrope gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope trawl trip limits apply. If small footrope gear ^{7/} is used at any time north of 40°10' N. lat. (shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then small footrope trawl limits apply.					
4 Sablefish						
5 large footrope gear	9,300 lb/ 2 months		16,000 lb/ 2 months	15,000 lb/ 2 months		11,000 lb/ 2 months
6 small footrope gear^{7/}	2,000 lb/ 2 months		10,000 lb/ 2 months			5,000 lb/ 2 months
7 Longspine thornyhead						
8 large footrope gear	15,000 lb/ 2 months		18,000 lb/ 2 months			
9 small footrope gear^{7/}	1,000 lb/ 2 months					
10 Shortspine thornyhead						
11 large footrope gear	3,150 lb/ 2 months		4,500 lb/ 2 months	4,100 lb/ 2 months		
12 small footrope gear^{7/}	1,000 lb/ 2 months		3,000 lb/ 2 months			1,000 lb/ 2 months
13 Dover sole						
14 large footrope gear	67,500 lb/ 2 months		32,000 lb/ 2 months	31,000 lb/ 2 months		50,000 lb/ 2 months
15 small footrope gear^{7/}	10,000 lb/ 2 months		27,000 lb/ 2 months			18,000 lb/ 2 months
16 Flatfish	Providing only large footrope gear is used to land any groundfish species during the entire limit period, then large footrope trawl trip limits apply. If small footrope gear ^{7/} is used at any time north of 40°10' N. lat. (shoreward or seaward of RCA) during the entire limit period, then small footrope trawl limits apply.					
17 All other flatfish, Petrale sole, & Rex sole						
18 large footrope gear for All other flatfish^{4/} & Rex sole	100,000 lb/ 2 months			All other flatfish, rex sole, and petrale sole: 100,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 30,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.		100,000 lb/ 2 months
19 large footrope gear for Petrale sole	Not limited	100,000 lb/ 2 months				Not limited
20 small footrope gear^{7/}	30,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 10,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.		80,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 30,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.	80,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 26,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.		70,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 20,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole.
21 Arrowtooth flounder						
22 large footrope gear	Not limited	150,000 lb/ 2 months				Not limited
23 small footrope gear^{7/}	4,000 lb/ 2 months	11,000 lb/ 2 months			8,000 lb/ 2 months	

Table 3 (North). Continued

24	Whiting ^{5/}	Before the primary whiting season: 20,000 lb/trip -- During the primary season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: 10,000 lb/trip		
25	Minor shelf rockfish ^{3/} & Widow rockfish			
26	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		300 lb/ 2 months
27	midwater trawl for Widow rockfish	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED ^{6/} -- During primary whiting season: In trips of at least 10,000 lb of whiting, combined widow and yellowtail limit of 500 lb/ trip, cumulative widow limit of 1,500 lb/ month. Mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for primary whiting season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: CLOSED ^{6/}		
28	small footrope trawl ^{7/} for minor shelf & widow	300 lb/ month	1,000 lb/ month, no more than 200 lb/ month of which may be yelloweye rockfish	300 lb/ month
29	Canary rockfish			
30	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
31	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	100 lb/ month	300 lb/ month	100 lb/ month
32	Yellowtail			
33	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
34	midwater trawl	Before the primary whiting season: CLOSED ^{6/} -- During primary whiting season: In trips of at least 10,000 lb of whiting: combined widow and yellowtail limit of 500 lb/ trip, cumulative yellowtail limit of 2,000 lb/ month. Mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for primary whiting season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: CLOSED ^{6/}		
35	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	In landings without flatfish, 1,000 lb/ month. As flatfish bycatch, per trip limit is the sum of 33% (by weight) of all flatfish except arrowtooth flounder, plus 10% (by weight) of arrowtooth flounder. Total yellowtail landings not to exceed 10,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,000 lb/ month of which may be landed without flatfish.		
36	Minor nearshore rockfish			
37	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
38	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	300 lb/ month		
39	Lingcod ^{8/}			
40	large footrope trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		500 lb/ 2 months
41	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	800 lb/ 2 months	1,000 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months
42	Other Fish ^{9/}	Not limited		

1/ Gear requirements and prohibitions are explained above. See IV. A.(14).

2/ "North" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Canada border. 40°10' N. lat. is about 20 nm south of Cape Mendocino, CA.

3/ Bocaccio and chilipepper are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish.

4/ "Other" flatfish means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 3 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

5/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area shoreward of 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip all year. Outside Eureka area, the 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies. See IV. B.(3).

6/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

7/ Small footrope trawl means a bottom trawl net with a footrope no larger than 8 inches (20 cm) in diameter.

8/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

9/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

10/ The "Rockfish Conservation Area" is a gear and/or sector specific closed area generally described by depth contours but specifically defined by lat/long coordinates set out at IV. A.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

11/ The "modified 200 fm" line is modified to exclude certain petrale sole areas from the RCA.

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

Table 3 (South). 2004 Trip Limits and Gear Requirements^{1/} for Limited Entry Trawl Gear South of 40°10' N. Latitude^{2/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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		JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC
Rockfish Conservation Area^{10/} (RCA):							
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.		75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		100 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		75 fm - 150 fm (additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	
South of 34°27' N. lat.		75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands		100 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands		75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands	
Small footrope gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all trawl gear (large footrope, midwater trawl, and small footrope gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA.							
A vessel may have more than one type of limited entry bottom trawl gear on board, but the most restrictive trip limit associated with the gear on board applies for that trip. For vessels using more than one type of trawl gear during a cumulative limit period, limits are additive up to the largest limit for the type of gear used during that period. See ^{11/} for example. A vessel that is trawling within the RCA (or other closed area) with trawl gear authorized for use within the RCA (or other closed area) may not have any other type of trawl gear on board. Crossover provisions apply. See IV.A.(14)(b)(iv) and IV.B.(3)(c) for details.							
1	Minor slope rockfish ^{3/}						
2	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	7,000 lb/ 2 months		50,000 lb/ 2 months			
3	South of 38° N. lat.	40,000 lb/ 2 months					
4	Splitnose						
5	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	7,000 lb/ 2 months		50,000 lb/ 2 months			
6	South of 38° N. lat.	40,000 lb/ 2 months					
7	DTS complex	If fishing north of 40°10' N. lat. at any time with small footrope gear during the cumulative limit period, differential trip limits based on footrope size will apply during the entire limit period. See Table 3 (North) and Section A. (12) for more details					
8	Sablefish	11,250 lb/ 2 months		14,500 lb/ 2 months	13,000 lb/ 2 months		
9	Longspine thornyhead	15,000 lb / 2 months		18,000 lb / 2 months			
10	Shortspine thornyhead	3,000 lb/ 2 months		4,500 lb/ 2 months	4,100 lb/ 2 months		
11	Dover sole	39,000 lb/ 2 months		49,000 lb/ 2 months	48,000 lb/ 2 months		49,000 lb/ 2 months
12	Flatfish	If fishing north of 40°10' N. lat. at any time with small footrope gear during the cumulative limit period, differential trip limits based on footrope size will apply during the entire limit period. See Table 3 (North) and Section A. (12) for more details					
13	All other flatfish ^{4/} & Rex sole	100,000 lb/ 2 months	All other flatfish plus petrale & rex sole: 100,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 20,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole	All other flatfish plus petrale & rex sole: 120,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 20,000 lb/ 2 months of which may be petrale sole			120,000 lb/ 2 months
14	Petrale sole	No limit					No limit
15	Arrowtooth flounder	No limit	10,000 lb/ 2 months				No limit
16	Whiting ^{5/}	Before the primary whiting season: 20,000 lb/trip -- During the primary whiting season: mid-water trawl permitted in the RCA. See IV.B.(3)(b) for season and trip limit details. -- After the primary whiting season: 10,000 lb/trip					
17	Minor shelf rockfish, Widow, and Chilipepper rockfish ^{3/}						
18	large footrope or midwater trawl for Minor shelf rockfish	300 lb/ month					
19	large footrope or midwater trawl for Chilipepper rockfish	2,000 lb/ 2 months		12,000 lb/ 2 months		8,000 lb/ 2 months	
20	large footrope or midwater trawl for Widow rockfish	CLOSED ^{6/}					
21	small footrope trawl ^{7/} for minor shelf, widow & chilipepper	300 lb/ month			1,000 lb/ month, no more than 200 lb/month of which may be minor shelf and widow rockfish		
22	Bocaccio						
23	large footrope or midwater trawl	100 lb/ month			300 lb/ 2 months		
24	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	CLOSED ^{6/}					

Table 3 (South). Continued

25	Canary rockfish			
26	large footrope or midwater trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
27	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	100 lb/ month	300 lb/ month	100 lb/ month
28	Cowcod	CLOSED ^{6/}		
29	Minor nearshore rockfish			
30	large footrope or midwater trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}		
31	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	300 lb/ month		
32	Lingcod ^{8/}			
33	large footrope or midwater trawl	CLOSED ^{6/}	500 lb/ 2 months	
34	small footrope trawl ^{7/}	800 lb/ 2 months	1,000 lb/ 2 months	800 lb/ 2 months
35	Other Fish ^{9/}	Not limited		

1/ Gear requirements and prohibitions are explained above. See IV. A.(14).

2/ "South" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Mexico border. 40°10' N. lat. is about 20 nm south of Cape Mendocino, CA.

3/ Yellowtail is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish.

4/ "Other" flatfish means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 3 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

5/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area shoreward of 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip all year. Outside Eureka area, the 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies. See IV. B.(3).

6/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

7/ Small footrope trawl means a bottom trawl net with a footrope no larger than 8 inches (20 cm) in diameter.

8/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

9/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

10/ The "Rockfish Conservation Area" is a gear and/or sector specific closed area generally described by depth contours but specifically defined by lat./long.

coordinates set out at IV. A.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

11/ Example: If a vessel harvests 800 lb of chilipepper rockfish with small footrope gear, it may harvest up to 11,200 lb of chilipepper rockfish with large footrope gear during July and August.

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

Table 4 (North). 2004 Trip Limits for Limited Entry Fixed Gear North of 40°10' N. Latitude^{1/}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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Other Links and Requirements Apply	Read Sections IV, V, VI and D of Rules & Regulations before using this table						00200
	JAN-FEB	MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC	
Rockfish Conservation Area^{8/} (RCA):							
North of 46°16' N. lat.	shoreline - 100 fm						
46°16' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	30 fm - 100 fm						
1 Minor slope rockfish^{4/}	4,000 lb/ 2 months						
2 Pacific ocean perch	1,800 lb/ 2 months						
3 Sablefish	300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months						
4 Longspine thornyhead	10,000 lb/ 2 months						
5 Shortspine thornyhead	2,100 lb/ 2 months						
6 Dover sole	5,000 lb/ month						
7 Arrowtooth flounder							
8 Petrale sole							
9 Rex sole							
10 All other flatfish^{2/}							
11 Whiting^{3/}	10,000 lb/ trip						
12 Minor shelf rockfish, widow, and yellowtail rockfish^{4/}	200 lb/ month						
13 Canary rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}						
14 Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED ^{5/}						
15 Minor nearshore rockfish	5,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish ^{6/}						
16 Lingcod^{7/}	CLOSED ^{5/}		400 lb/ month			CLOSED ^{5/}	
17 Other fish^{9/}	Not limited						

1/ "North" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Canada border. 40°10' N. lat. is about 20 nm south of Cape Mendocino, CA.

2/ "Other flatfish" means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 4 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

3/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area shoreward of 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip all year. Outside Eureka area, the 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies. See IV. B.(3).

4/ Bocaccio and chilipepper are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish.

5/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

6/ For black rockfish north of Cape Alava (48°09'30" N. lat.), and between Destruction Island (47°40'00" N. lat.) and Leadbetter Point (46°38'10" N. lat.), there is an additional limit of 100 lb or 30 percent by weight of all fish on board, whichever is greater, per vessel, per fishing trip.

7/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

8/ The "Rockfish Conservation Area" is a gear and/or sector specific closed area generally described by depth contours but specifically defined by lat./long. coordinates set out at IV. A.(17)(f), that may vary seasonally.

9/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

Table 4 (South). 2004 Trip Limits for Limited Entry Fixed Gear South of 40°10' N. Latitude^{1f}

Other Limits and Requirements Apply -- Read Sections IV. A. and B. NMFS Actions before using this table

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JAN-FEB			MAR-APR	MAY-JUN	JUL-AUG	SEP-OCT	NOV-DEC	
Rockfish Conservation Area ^{7f} (RCA):								
40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.			30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		20 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)		30 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands, there is an additional closure between the shoreline and 10 fm around the Farallon Islands)	
South of 34°27' N. lat.			60 fm - 150 fm (also applies around islands)					
1 Minor slope rockfish ^{4f}								
2 40°10' - 38° N. lat.			7,000 lb/ 2 months		50,000 lb/ 2 months			
3 South of 38° N. lat.			40,000 lb/ 2 months					
4 Splitnose								
5 40°10' - 38° N. lat.			7,000 lb/ 2 months		50,000 lb/ 2 months			
6 South of 38° N. lat.			40,000 lb/ 2 months					
7 Sablefish								
8 40°10' - 36° N. lat.			300 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 900 lb, not to exceed 3,600 lb/ 2 months					
9 South of 36° N. lat.			350 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,050 lb					
10 Longspine thornyhead			10,000 lb/ 2 months					
11 Shortspine thornyhead			2,000 lb/ 2 months					
12 Dover sole			When fishing for Pacific sanddabs, vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to 1 lb (0.45 kg) of weight per line are not subject to the RCAs.					
13 Arrowtooth flounder								
14 Petrale sole								
15 Rex sole								
16 All other flatfish ^{2f}								
17 Whiting ^{3f}			10,000 lb/ trip					
18 Minor shelf rockfish, widow, and yellowtail rockfish ^{4f}								
19 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.			300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5f}	200 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ 2 months	
20 South of 34°27' N. lat.			CLOSED ^{5f}	2,000 lb/ 2 months				
21 Chilipepper rockfish			2,000 lb/ 2 months, this opportunity only available seaward of the nontrawl RCA					
22 Canary rockfish			CLOSED ^{5f}					
23 Yelloweye rockfish			CLOSED ^{5f}					
24 Cowcod			CLOSED ^{5f}					
25 Bocaccio								
26 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.			200 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5f}	100 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months		
27 South of 34°27' N. lat.			CLOSED ^{5f}	300 lb/ 2 months				
28 Minor nearshore rockfish								
29 Shallow nearshore								
30 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.			300 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5f}	500 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months	500 lb/ 2 months	300 lb/ 2 months
31 South of 34°27' N. lat.			CLOSED ^{5f}	300 lb/ 2 months				
32 Deeper nearshore								
33 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.			500 lb/ 2 months	CLOSED ^{5f}	500 lb/ 2 months		400 lb/month	500 lb/ 2 months
34 South of 34°27' N. lat.			CLOSED ^{5f}	500 lb/ 2 months	600 lb/ 2 months			400 lb/ 2 months
35 California scorpionfish			CLOSED ^{5f}	300 lb/ 2 months		400 lb/ 2 months		300 lb/ 2 months

Table 4 (South). Continued

36 Lingcod ^{6/}	CLOSED ^{5/}	400 lb/ month, when nearshore open	CLOSED ^{5/}
37 Other fish ^{8/}	Not limited		

1/ "South" means 40°10' N. lat. to the U.S.-Mexico border. 40°10' N. lat. is about 20 nm south of Cape Mendocino, CA.

2/ "Other flatfish" means all flatfish at 50 CFR 660.302 except those in this Table 4 with species specific management measures, including trip limits.

3/ The whiting "per trip" limit in the Eureka area shoreward of 100 fm is 10,000 lb/ trip all year. Outside Eureka area, the 20,000 lb/ trip limit applies. See IV. B.(3).

4/ POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish.

5/ Closed means that it is prohibited to take and retain, possess, or land the designated species in the time or area indicated. See IV. A.(7).

6/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

7/ The "Rockfish Conservation Area" is a gear and/or sector specific closed area generally described by depth contours but specifically defined by lat/long coordinates set out at IV. A.(17)(f) that may vary seasonally.

8/ Other fish are defined at 50 CFR 660.302, as those groundfish species or species groups for which there is no trip limit, size limit, quota, or harvest guideline.

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.

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Classification

These actions are authorized by the Pacific Coast groundfish FMP and their implementing regulations and are based on the most recent data available. The aggregate data upon which these actions are based are available for public inspection at the Office of the Administrator, Northwest Region, NMFS, (see ADDRESSES) during business hours.

The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries NOAA, NMFS, finds good cause to waive the requirement to provide prior notice and opportunity for public comment on this action pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3)(B), because providing prior notice and opportunity for comment would be impracticable. Providing prior notice and comment on the inseason adjustments would be impracticable because the data upon which these recommendations were based were provided to the Pacific Council and the Pacific Council made its recommendations at its June 13-18, 2004, meeting in Foster City, CA. As described below, there is not sufficient time after that meeting to draft this notice and undergo proposed and final rulemaking before the beginning of the next cumulative limit period, July 1, 2004, when these actions need to be in effect. Many of the previously scheduled management measures for the July-August period are more liberal than the adjustments contained in this inseason action. The delay required by notice and comment would allow sufficient fishing time so that most participants in the fishery could take the previously scheduled higher trip limits before this inseason action would be in effect. Therefore, for the actions to be implemented in this notice, prior notice and opportunity for comment would be impracticable because affording prior notice and opportunity for public comment would take too long, thus impeding the Agency's function of managing fisheries to approach without exceeding the OYs for federally managed species.

Adjustments to management measures in this inseason action include changes to the management measures for the limited entry groundfish fisheries. Changes to limited entry trawl trip limits for DTS species, yellowtail rockfish, and widow rockfish implemented with this inseason action are more conservative than previously scheduled DTS

trip limits. These more conservative trip limits must be implemented in a timely manner to keep harvest of DTS species and yellowtail and widow rockfish within their 2004 OYs and/or to allow the fisheries to continue throughout the year. This inseason action contains a clarification of the intent and application of differential trip limits. Changes to differential trip limits, in the area between 40°10' N. lat. and the U.S./Mexico border, relieve unnecessary restrictions. Incidental catch allowances for overfished species taken in the directed limited entry trawl and fixed gear fisheries for abundant groundfish stocks are also part of this inseason action. Because these incidental catch allowances will reduce discards in the Pacific Coast groundfish fisheries, while keeping the total mortality of overfished species within their 2004 OYs, they should be implemented as quickly as possible.

For these reasons, good cause also exists to waive the 30-day delay in effectiveness requirement under 5 U.S.C. 553 (d)(3).

These actions are taken under the authority of 50 CFR 660.323(b)(1) and are exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: July 1, 2004.

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Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 660

[Docket No. 040429134-4135-01; I.D. 062904A]

Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; West Coast Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Action #4—Adjustment of the Commercial Salmon Fishery from Humbug Mountain, Oregon to the Oregon-California Border

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Closure; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that the commercial salmon fishery in the area from the Humbug Mountain, OR to the Oregon-California Border was modified to close at midnight on Saturday, June 19, 2004. This action was necessary to conform to the 2004 management goals. The intended effect of this action is to allow the fishery to operate within the seasons and quotas as specified in the 2004 annual management measures.

DATES: Closure in the area from the Humbug Mountain, OR, to the Oregon-California Border effective 2359 hours local time (l.t.), June 19, 2004, after which the fishery will remain closed until opened through an additional inseason action for the west coast salmon fisheries, which will be published in the **Federal Register**, or until the effective date of the next scheduled open period announced in the 2004 annual management measures. Comments will be accepted through July 22, 2004].

ADDRESSES: Comments on this action must be mailed to D. Robert Lohn, Regional Administrator, Northwest Region, NMFS, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way N.E., Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070; or faxed to 206-526-6376; or Rod McInnis, Acting Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, NMFS, NOAA, 501 W. Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4132; or faxed to 562-980-4018. Comments can also be submitted via e-mail at the

2004salmonIA4.nwr@noaa.gov address, or through the internet at the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments and include the docket number in the subject line of the message. Information relevant to this document is available for public review during business hours at the Office of the Regional