after each launch. This report must contain the following information:

- (1) Date(s) and time(s) of the launch,(2) Design of the monitoring program,
- (3) Results of the monitoring programs, including, but not necessarily limited to:
- (i) Numbers of pinnipeds present on the haulout prior to commencement of the launch
- (ii) Numbers of pinnipeds that may have been harassed as noted by the number of pinnipeds estimated to have entered the water as a result of launch noise,
- (iii) The length of time(s) pinnipeds remained off the haulout or rookery,
- (iv) The numbers of pinniped adults or pups that may have been injured or killed as a result of the launch, and
- (v) Behavioral modifications by pinnipeds noted that were likely the result of launch noise or the sonic boom.
- (e) An annual report must be submitted that describes any incidental takings not reported under paragraph (d) of this section.
- (f) A final report must be submitted at least 180 days prior to expiration of these regulations. This report will:
- (1) Summarize the activities undertaken and the results reported all previous reports,
- (2) Assess the impacts at each of the major rookeries,
- (3) Assess the cumulative impact on pinnipeds and other marine mammals from Vandenberg activities, and
- (4) State the date(s) location(s) and findings of any research activities related to monitoring the effects on launch noise and sonic booms on marine mammal populations.

§ 216.126 Applications for Letters of Authorization.

- (a) To incidentally take harbor seals and other marine mammals pursuant to these regulations, either the U.S. citizen (see definition at § 216.103) conducting the activity or the 30th Space Wing on behalf of the U.S. citizen conducting the activity, must apply for and obtain a Letter of Authorization in accordance with § 216.106.
- (b) The application must be submitted to the National Marine Fisheries Service at least 30 days before the activity is scheduled to begin.
- (c) Applications for Letters of Authorization and for renewals of Letters of Authorization must include the following:
- (1) Name of the U.S. citizen requesting the authorization,
- (2) A description of the activity, the dates of the activity, and the specific location of the activity, and

- (3) Plans to monitor the behavior and effects of the activity on marine mammals.
- (d) A copy of the Letter of Authorization must be in the possession of the persons conducting activities that may involve incidental takings of seals and sea lions.

§ 216.127 Renewal of Letters of Authorization.

- A Letter of Authorization issued under § 216.126 for the activity identified in § 216.120(a) will be renewed annually upon:
- (a) Timely receipt of the reports required under § 216.125(d), which have been reviewed by the Assistant Administrator and determined to be acceptable;
- (b) A determination that the mitigation measures required under § 216.124 and the Letter of Authorization have been undertaken; and
- (c) A notice of issuance of a Letter of Authorization or a renewal of a Letter of Authorization will be published in the **Federal Register** within 30 days of issuance.

§ 216.128 Modifications of Letters of Authorization.

- (a) In addition to complying with the provisions of § 216.106, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, no substantive modification, including withdrawal or suspension, to the Letter of Authorization issued pursuant to § 216.106 and subject to the provisions of this subpart shall be made until after notice and an opportunity for public comment.
- (b) If the Assistant Administrator determines that an emergency exists that poses a significant risk to the wellbeing of the species or stocks of marine mammals specified in § 216.120(b) or that significantly and detrimentally alters the scheduling of launches, a Letter of Authorization issued pursuant to § 216.106 may be substantively modified without a prior notice and an opportunity for public comment. A notice will be published in the **Federal Register** subsequent to the action.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Parts 600 and 660

[Docket No. 981231333-8333-01; I.D. 121498A]

Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Foreign Fishing; Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Annual Specifications and Management Measures; Correction

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

ACTION: Corrections to the 1999 specifications for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery.

SUMMARY: This document contains corrections to the 1999 groundfish fishery specifications and management measures for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery, which were published in the **Federal Register** on January 8, 1999.

DATES: Effective March 1, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kate King or Yvonne deReynier, NMFS, 206–526–6140.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The 1999 fishery specifications and management measures for groundfish taken in the U.S. exclusive economic zone and state waters off the coasts of Washington, Oregon, and California, as authorized by the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan, were published in the **Federal Register** on January 8, 1999 (64 FR 1316). The specifications contained errors that need to be corrected.

Corrections

In rule FR Doc. 98–34851 beginning on page 1316, in the issue of Friday, January 8, 1999 (64 FR 1316), make the following corrections:

- 1. On page 1319, in footnote h/, in line 4, the extra "by" is removed.
- 2. On the same page, in footnote l/, in lines 1 and 3, "1998" is corrected to read "1999"
- 3. On page 1320, in footnote t/, in line 2, insert "ABC" before "which".

The table as corrected appears below. BILLING CODE 3510-22-P

Table 1. 1999 Specifications of Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC), Optimum Yields (OYs) (equivalent to Harvest Guidelines (HGs)in 1998), and Limited Entry and Open Access Allocations, by International North Pacific Fisheries Commission (INPFC) areas (in metric to

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Other flatfish	700	3,000	1,700	1,800	200	7,700			;	7 7	:	:	;
ROCKFISH:													
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Canadian stock assessments included parts of even if Vancouver only, u.s.

b/ Lingcod. The 419-mt commercial OY for lingcod is in terms of total catch and is derived by reducing the 730-mt OY by 310 mt for the recreational fishery and 1 mt for the treaty tribes. The open access allocation is determined by applying the open access percentage to the commercial OY. The limited entry allocation is determined by subtracting the open access allocation from the commercial OY. The limited entry allocation is reduced by 19% (64 mt) to derive a landed catch equivalent of 275 mt. Disord estimates entry allocation of 275 mt. Disord estimates for the open access fishery are not available at this time. The 666-mt landed catch equivalent for OY is the sum of the recreational and tribal catch (311 mt) plus the landed catch equivalents for the limited entry (275 mt) and open access fisheries (80 mt).

included the areas l is for c/ Other. These species are not common nor important in the areas footnoted. Accordingly, for convenience, Pacific cod in the "other fish" category for the areas footnoted, and rockfish species are included in the "other rockfish" category footnoted only.

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- discarded İB catch the of percent S that οχ for equivalent catch landed 8,955-mt The sole.

the epper. Chilipepper in the Eureka, Monterey, and Conception areas is pulled out of the <u>Sebastes</u> complex in 1999, and for an over a limited entry and open access allocations) is specified for chilipepper. The 3,651-mt commercial OY for it is in terms of total catch and is derived by reducing the 3,724-mt OY by 73 mt for the recreational fishery. The open scation is determined by applying the open access percentage to the commercial OY. The limited entry allocation is by subtracting the open access allocation from the commercial OY. Zero discards are assumed in the limited entry and open heries, so the limited entry and open access allocations also represent the landed catch equivalents. h/ Chilipepper. C first time, an OY (chilipepper is in t access allocation i determined by subtra access fisheries, s

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k/ Widow rockfish. The 4,981-mt commercial OY for widow rockfish is in terms of total catch and is derived by reducing the 5,023-mt OY by 42 mt for the recreational fishery. The open access allocation is determined by applying the open access percentage to the commercial OY. The limited entry allocation is determined by subtracting the open access allocation from the commercial OY. The limited entry allocation of 4,797 mt (total catch) is reduced by 300 mt for estimated bycatch in the offshore whiting fishery, and the remainder is reduced by 16% (719 mt) to derive a landed catch equivalent of 3,777 mt. Discard estimates for the open access fishery are not available at this time. The 3,962-mt landed catch equivalent for OY is the sum of the landed catch equivalents for the limited entry (3,777 mt) and open access fisheries (184 mt), but excludes recreational landings of 42 mt.

tribal no 4 8 under There i in 1999 t time. T taken this of thornyheads will be to the thornyhead HGs at 3-4 mt) that 8,000-10,000 lb (about 3 amount is not subtracted from treaty tribes estimate per trip. This small a species in 1999. 1/ Thornyheads. The trip limit of 300 lb combined HG for both the OY. The open access allocation for shortspine to commercial OY. The limited entry allocation is loy. The limited entry allocation is i. The 805-mt landed catch equivalent for OY is the sum fisheries (3 mt) (with a slight difference due to m/ Shortspine thornyheads. The commercial OY for shortspine thornyheads equals thornyheads is determined by applying the open access percentage to the 1,150-mt determined by subtracting the open access allocation (3 mt) from the commercial O catch) is reduced by 30% (344 mt) to derive a landed catch equivalent of 803 mt. of the landed catch equivalent of 603 mt. rounding).

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oh by the Makah, Quileute, Hoh, and Quir) and 10,000 lb (4,536 kg) between Dest mt. The northern OY for the Sebastes to derive the 6,778 mt commercial OY. for commercial harvest of black rockfish inorth of Cape Alawa (48°09'30" N. lat.) (46°38'10" N. lat.), which totals 13.6 mm for estimated recreational harvest to the <u>Sebastes</u>-north OY are two small HGs f tribes: 20,000 lb (9,072 kg) for the EEZ try-40:00" N. lat.) and Leadbetter Point lby 13.6 mt for tribal fisheries and 265 Within t Indian t Island

Eureka, in "other rockfish" e to rounding. rockfish," and "cother tables due for bocaccio, "remaining some discrepancies with a ABCs f may be of the There m sum *). th ABC is (marked w the ų Bum The The It) for 603 = 3,0 the 5 x Monterey/Conception area, is the ABC for other rockfish (. Eureka/ 50% of applies to the 75 x 898) plus oY, which rockfish (.

to limited information of remaining and other rockfish is intended to address uncertainty in stock status due catch and of total in terms this time at at ion area Conceptiards are and Conc Monterey, therv. No : bocaccio in the Eureka, Mont for the recreational fishery. for mt f 97 80 80 -mt commercial s 230-mt OY by io. The 1 reducing p/ Bocacci derived by

did not have an individual ABC "remaining rockfish" includes q/ Remaining rockfish. Prior to 1997, this category included all species in the <u>Sebastes</u> complex that dicand therefore included species that, starting in 1997, are designated as "other rockfish." Since 1997, "reconly those species and areas listed in Table 1. Species included in "remaining rockfish" are marked with V

charry. The 807-mt commercial OY for canary rockfish in the Vancouver-Columbia area is in terms of total catch and is derived by reducing the 1,045-mt OY by 50 mt for the recreational fishery. The open access allocation is determined by applying the open access percentage to the commercial OY. The limited entry allocation is determined by subtracting the open access allocation from the commercial OY. The limited entry allocation for the catch of 18 mt of settimate of 735 mt (total catch) is reduced by a 16% (118 mt) discard estimate to derive a landed catch equivalent of 618 mt. Discard estimates for the open access fishery are not available at this time. The 689-mt landed catch equivalent for OY is the sum of the landed catch equivalents for the limited entry (618 mt) and open access fisheries (71 mt).

yellowtail rockfish. The 3,403-mt commercial OY for yellowtail rockfish is in terms of total catch and is derived by reducing the 3,435-mt. OY by 32 mt for the recreational fishery. The open access allocation is determined by applying the open access percentage to the commercial oy. The limited entry allocation is determined by subtracting the open access allocation from the commercial OY. The limited entry allocation of 3,076 mt (total catch) is reduced by 600 mt for estimated bycatch in the offshore whiting fishery, and the remainder is reduced by 16% (396 mt) to derive a landed catch equivalent of 2,080 mt. Discard estimates for the open access fishery are not available at this time. The 2,407-mt landed catch equivalent for OY is the sum of the landed catch equivalents for the limited entry (2,080 mt) and open access fisheries (327 mt).

t/ Blackgill rockfish. This stock is moved from "other rockfish" to "remaining rockfish," both components of the <u>Sebastes</u> complex. separate ABC is established for the first time in 1999 for blackgill rockfish, resulting in a 365-mt ABC which therefore reduces the ABC for "other rockfish" by 365 mt and increases it by the same amount for "remaining rockfish."

this species and area which is not included in "remaining rockfish" or "other rockfish," and therefore complex. e ABC for Sebastes There is a separate not included in the S

It is based on those species : identified in Table 1. I recreational landings for not of r Sebastes species updated estimates . "Other rockfish" includes offshore of commercial landings and includes u v/ Other rockfish. complex assessment c ABCs. and other groundfish species noted above in footnote c/ morids, grenadiers, Includes sharks, skates, rays, ratfish, Other fish.

- 4. On page 1323, in the first column, in line 1, under *Chilipepper*, insert "was" before "conducted".
- 5. On page 1327, in the first column, in the second complete paragraph, in line 11, insert "is" after "discard".
- 6. On page 1332, in the first column, in line 1, "processing" should read "processor".
- 7. On page 1333, in the second column, in paragraph A. (1)(b), in line 5, "landing" should read "landings".
 8. On page 1338, in the second
- 8. On page 1338, in the second column, under the heading "C. Trip Limits in the Open Access Fishery", in line 1, insert "is gear" before "used" and in line 3, insert "limited entry" before "permit".

Dated: February 23, 1999.

Andrew A. Rosenberg,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 981222314-8321-02; I.D. 021999A]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod in the Central Regulatory Area in the Gulf of Alaska

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

ACTION: Modification of a closure.

SUMMARY: NMFS is opening directed fishing for Pacific cod by vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the offshore component in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). This action is necessary to fully utilize the interim total allowable catch (TAC) of Pacific cod in that area.

DATES: Effective 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), February 25, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew Smoker, 907–586–7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the GOA exclusive economic zone according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Regulations governing

fishing by U.S. vessels in accordance with the FMP appear at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

In accordance with § 679.20(a)(6)(iii), the Interim 1999 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish (64 FR 46, January 4, 1999), established the allowance of the interim 1999 Pacific cod TAC apportioned for vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the offshore component in the Central Regulatory Area of the GOA as 834 metric tons (mt).

NMFS closed the offshore component fishery for Pacific cod in the Central Regulatory Area to directed fishing under § 679.20(d)(1)(iii) on January 20, 1999 (64 FR 3658, January 25, 1999).

NMFS has determined that as of February 18, 1999, approximately 500 mt remain in the offshore component directed fishing allowance. Therefore, NMFS is terminating the previous closure and is opening directed fishing for Pacific cod by vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the offshore component in Central Regulatory Area of the GOA.

Classification

All other closures remain in full force and effect. This action responds to the best available information recently obtained from the fishery. It must be implemented immediately in order to allow full utilization of the Pacific cod TAC. Providing prior notice and opportunity for public comment for this action is impracticable and contrary to the public interest. Further delay would only disrupt the FMP objective of providing the Pacific cod TAC for harvest. NMFS finds for good cause that implementation of this action cannot be delayed for 30 days. Accordingly, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d), a delay in the effective date is hereby waived.

This action is required by § 679.20 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

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

Dated: February 24, 1999.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 99–5018 Filed 2–24–99; 4:08 pm]
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 990115017-9017-01; I.D. 022399B]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Vessels Greater Than 99 feet (30.2 m) LOA Catching Pollock for Processing by the Inshore Component in the Bering Sea

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

ACTION: Closure.

SUMMARY: NMFS is prohibiting directed fishing for pollock by vessels greater than 99 feet (30.2 m) length over all (LOA) catching pollock for processing by the inshore component in the critical habitat/catcher vessel operation area (CH/CVOA) of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands management area (BSAI). This action is necessary because the A2 season limit of pollock total allowable catch specified for the inshore component within the CH/CVOA will be reached.

DATES: Effective 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), February 24, 1999, until 1200 hrs, A.l.t., August 1, 1999. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrew Smoker, 907–586-7228.

Andrew Smoker, 907–386-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the BSAI according to the Fishery Management Plan for the Groundfish Fishery of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Regulations governing fishing by U.S. vessels in accordance with the FMP appear at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

In accordance with § 679.20(a)(5)(i)(C)(1), and the revised interim 1999 TAC amounts for pollock in the Bering Sea subarea (64 FR 3437, January 22, 1999), the A2 season limit of pollock total allowable catch specified for the inshore component for harvest within the CH/CVOA is 36,716 metric tons (mt).

In accordance with § 679.22(a)(11)(iv)(A) and (C)(2) the Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS (Regional Administrator), has determined that the A2 season limit of pollock total allowable catch specified to the inshore component for harvest