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President's Message

By Doug Fricke F/V Howard H

As most of you are aware, April 2 to April 6 were the days in Seattle that the PFMC process was completed and with it was the setting of the 2007 WA salmon troll seasons. This year was one of the most stressful and frustrating processes that I have been involved in. Not only did we have to deal with the edict from National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) that our allowable impacts on Coweeman/Grays River Tule stocks was reduced from 49% to 42%, but South of Falcon Oregon Trollers demanded that all of North of Falcon have the same season. The NMFS demand of reduced chinook exploitation rates (ER) on chinook because of the lower Columbia River Tule stocks which we claim are a hatchery "mutes", will reduce our troll chinook number to less than 11,000 chinook for the Spring and less than 6,000 chinook for the summer. There is a small increase in the availability of coho if we can figure out a way to efficiently catch fin clipped hatchery coho (now called marked select coho).

With the Oregon fleet potential of over 100 vessels as they showed in 2006 and 2005, the only way to have a reasonable opportunity for the WA trollers is to have a smaller chinook quota off of the Columbia River for chinook than the rest of the State. There is a small advantage for trollers off of the Columbia in that they will have a coho opportunity off of the Co-

lumbia in August when the rest of the State is closed. Hopefully with a predicted coho marked rate of 70% off of the Columbia, the Columbia trollers will be able to take advantage of this opportunity this year. The eventual negotiated landing limits for the different areas were a compromise with the Oregon trollers that will have close to a full season South of Falcon. As you will see in a later report, Oregon also demanded that the halibut landing ratio stay at one halibut to three chinooks instead of one halibut to two chinooks. With the maximum chinook landing limit North of Cape Falcon at 60 chinook per opening, the WA trollers will be again disadvantaged compared to the trollers South of Falcon.

Again, we were fortunate to have Jim Olson as our WA troll Representative. Jim, Joel, Steve and I got into several heated discussions trying to maintain a reasonable opportunity for WA trollers. Joel and Steve, along with the other Salmon Advisory Council members, met with the WA Congressional staffs and NMFS staff on the degenerating situation in the management of the Columbia River Chinook stocks. Start saving some money to legally challenge the NMFS designation of the Lower Columbia River Chinook Tule stock as "wild and threatened". Unless we can get that designation overturned, it looks like ocean salmon fishing off of WA for

sport and troll are in a downward spiral.

Glen Aurdahl and Joe Dazey were able to stop by for a couple of days during the Seattle meeting and help with the analysis and give support. Thanks guys. As usual, Ed Owens is watching our backs in Olympia. Little issues such as proposed fuel taxes, Governor's Ocean Advisory Panel with no fishermen, inspectors on our vessels, etc. are monitored by Ed.

I'm sure everyone is as disappointed with the results of our 2007 troll opportunity as I am. I hope everyone gets a chance to get out on the ocean this year and make the best of what we have. Maybe landing a few 20 pound king salmon will let us forget the frustration of how our opportunity is managed.

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April PFMC Report

By Steve Wilson F/V Deep Threat

The April PFMC met at the SeaTac Marriott under blue skies. By Tuesday, the only blue was the language tone of the season option discussions with our Oregon counterparts. But let me back up . . .

The WTA Board met Friday, March 30th to hear concerns from the port meetings and provide guidance for our PFMC troll team. As in past years, the consensus was to allow high trip limits in the spring and low summer trip limits to lengthen the season. The group wanted to maintain the Leadbetter line and cap the area I spring trip limits at 35 and close area I for summer chinook. There was nearly unanimous support for a 2:1 salmon to halibut ratio.

Jim Olson, our troll advisor, Doug Fricke, Joel Kawahara, and I began the process with Sunday night and early Monday morning meetings. Joel now sits on the Habitat Committee and Doug sits on the Highly Migratory Species Committee so we were a little thin after Joe Dazey called in sick.

Monday seemed to go well and the opportunity to share salmon concerns with legislative staffers reduced some of our steam. (See related article)

Tuesday morning didn't get off on the right foot, and the next two days felt worse. WDFW leaders thought 100 chinook north of Leadbetter was excessive given the reduction in trip limits south of Leadbetter. It turned out that 75 were too many as well. Oregon started with no Leadbetter language and equal limits throughout the north of Falcon. 100 sounded fine with them. Those numbers showed the very real possibility (given the recent history of the Oregon harvest north of Falcon) of blowing out not only the spring season and the summer season but taking fish out of the recreational side as well. We were assured by the Oregon team that with lots of potential for south of Falcon fishing, we had nothing to worry about. The truth is that there is a

large forecast of returning Klamath 3 yr. olds (515 thousand) but still a small number of 4 yr olds (26 thousand). The California Central Valley system (Sacramento and San Joaquin Basins) has the smallest returning class (499.9 thousand) since 1993-94. If South of Falcon fishermen have trouble finding legal-sized chinook in May, they would naturally look north. Will this happen? Got your crystal ball? See our dilemma? . . . Did I forget to mention that the Oregon reps did not want a change in the salmon to halibut ratio; we had proposed a 2:1 ratio, salmon for halibut. About the only thing we did agree on was to remove the 6 inch plugs restriction since we don't have the same ocean coho constraints as in past seasons (sorry Jeremy).

To reflect on language used by Joel a few years ago, the WA and OR reps "did not play well together." Debate turned to argument and turned heated. "Words" were used and fingers were pointed. At one point I shouted that I would lower my voice if everyone else did . . . Jim Olson said later, "Other than a meeting years ago in San Francisco, this has been the worst to negotiate." It frankly wasn't fun. So went the week.

I would like to publicly thank Doug Milward and Wendy Beeghley (WDFW) who braved the blue atmosphere to answer everyone's concerns about managing the fishery and preventing a blow-out. They spent many late hours running the models that we asked for. Along with their Oregon counterpart, rational voices were heard, but not always listened to. Even Curt Melcher (OR) came into the discussions to provide guidance. His counterpart, Phil Anderson had his hands full (my opinion) with Puget Sound problems.

An ocean compromise was reached but nobody was smiling. While Dr. Peter Dygert (NMFS) was
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CONGRESSIONAL STAFFERS HEAR FROM FISHERMEN

Steve Wilson FV/ Deep Threat

The news cameras were humming at the PFMC April meeting. The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) hosted a Monday afternoon meeting with representatives from the Seattle offices of Senators Cantwell and Murray as well as Congressional staffers from the offices of Adam Smith, Norm Dicks, Jim McDermott and Jay Inslee. They heard angry fishermen from California to Washington who wanted attention given to several issues: lack of adequate funding of hatcheries (Mitchell Act), the indiscriminate reduction by

NOAA of the exploitation rate allowed on Columbia River stocks (from 49% to 42%), and, the use of streams that provide little habitat (Grays and Lewis rivers) as constraints. They heard from Columbia River gill-netters like Kent Martin who wanted to know how the NMFS policy-makers can use the ESA on hatchery stocks, strays, and "wild fish" when it suits them. They also heard from trollers like Dave Bitts (CA) who wanted to know how to prevent future disasters (like the Klamath)

when largely caused by government policies. Sport fishing leaders like Steve Watrous and charter boat leaders like Butch Smith wanted to know how to accelerate habitat restoration. Adequate water in the Columbia River system and well-timed flows to move juveniles downstream, and predator controls and the Marine Mammal Protection were also part of the discussion. Hopefully, the concerns will get back to the other Washington where we will see some action.

April PFMC Report (continued)

responding to an upset SAS audience, we lost the halibut ratio Council vote. At least we kept the language intact for the "C-shaped yelloweye rockfish conservation area." In my opinion, we nearly lost the right to fish that highly productive area (see the PFMC Document titled "Incidental Catch Regulations for the Salmon Troll and Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries" Agenda Item H.1, Situation Summary). We are, however, restricted from a small block in the SW corner of the "C zone" to troll based on disputed WDFW data and the need to comply with the 9th Circuit Court's decision.

I'm sure there were other important things that occurred, but meeting the spring and summer season goals dominated our time. My thanks go out to Joe Dazey and Glen Aurdahl who were there to lend support, and to those who responded to cell phone calls and emails from the team. We appreciated your guidance.

Don Stevens (OR) uses an email 'sign-off' of "take no prisoners." I think it is time to re-load for the 2008 process.

WELCOME!

We want to welcome the following members who are new to our Association!

Ted Schuman, F/V Arden
Bret Fowler, F/V Karen Jeanne
Richard Lyons, F/V Bertha J

It's great to have you on board!

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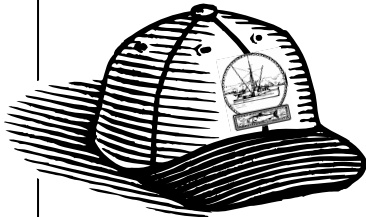
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North of Cape Falcon
A. SEASON DESCRIPTIONS
Supplemental Management Information
<p>1. Overall non-Indian TAC: 32,500 Chinook and 140,000 coho marked with a healed adipose fin clip (marked). Trade: None.</p> <p>2. Non-Indian commercial troll TAC: 16,250 Chinook and 22,400 marked coho.</p>
<p>U.S./Canada Border to Cape Falcon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1 through earlier of June 30 or 10,850 Chinook quota. Open May 1-2 and 5-8 with a landing and possession limit of 60 Chinook per vessel for each open period north of Leadbetter Point and 40 Chinook south of Leadbetter Point; beginning May 12, open Saturday through Tuesday with a landing and possession limit of 60 Chinook per vessel for each four-day open period north of Leadbetter Point and 30 Chinook south of Leadbetter Point. All salmon except coho (C.7). Cape Flattery, Mandatory Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Area, and Columbia Control Zones closed (C.5). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3). Oregon State regulations require that fishers south of Cape Falcon, OR intending to fish within this area notify Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife before transiting the Cape Falcon, OR line (45°46'00" N. lat.) at the following number: 541-867-0300 Ext. 271. Vessels must land and deliver their fish within 24 hours of any closure of this fishery. Under state law, vessels must report their catch on a state fish receiving ticket. Vessels fishing north of Leadbetter Point must land and deliver their fish within the area and north of Leadbetter Point. Vessels fishing south of Leadbetter Point must land and deliver their fish within the area and south of Leadbetter Point, except that Oregon permitted vessels may also land their fish in Garibaldi, Oregon. Oregon State regulations require all fishers landing salmon into Oregon from any fishery between Leadbetter Point, Washington and Cape Falcon, Oregon must notify ODFW within one hour of delivery or prior to transport away from the port of landing by calling 541-867-0300 Ext. 271. Notification shall include vessel name and number, number of salmon by species, port of landing and location of delivery, and estimated time of delivery. Inseason actions may modify harvest guidelines in later fisheries to achieve or prevent exceeding the overall allowable troll harvest impacts (C.8).
<p>U.S./Canada Border to Cape Falcon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 1 through earlier of September 16 or 5,400 preseason Chinook guideline (C.8) or a 22,400 marked coho quota (C.8.d). Open Saturday through Tuesday. Landing and possession limit of 40 Chinook per vessel per open period north of Leadbetter Point and 20 Chinook south of Leadbetter Point (C.2, C.3). All Salmon except no chum retention north of Cape Alava, Washington in August and September. If sufficient coho quota remains after the Chinook quota is projected to be reached, the area south of Leadbetter Point will remain open to all salmon except Chinook, provided adequate Chinook quota remains to account for non-retention mortality (C.7). All coho must have a healed adipose fin clip, except an inseason conference call may occur to consider allowing retention of all legal sized coho, in the area between Leadbetter Point and Cape Falcon, no earlier than September 1 (C.8.d). Cape Flattery, Mandatory Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Area, and Columbia Control Zones closed (C.5). Oregon State regulations require that fishers south of Cape Falcon, OR intending to fish within this area notify Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife before transiting the Cape Falcon, OR line (45°46'00" N. lat.) at the following number: 541-867-0300 Ext. 271. Vessels must land and deliver their fish within 24 hours of any closure of this fishery. Under state law, vessels must report their catch on a state fish receiving ticket. Vessels fishing north of Leadbetter Point must land and deliver their fish within the area and north of Leadbetter Point. Vessels fishing south of Leadbetter Point must land and deliver their fish within the area and south of Leadbetter Point, except that Oregon permitted vessels may also land their fish in Garibaldi, Oregon. Oregon State regulations require all fishers landing salmon into Oregon from any fishery between Leadbetter Point, Washington and Cape Falcon, Oregon must notify ODFW within one hour of delivery or prior to transport away from the port of landing by calling 541-867-0300 Ext. 271. Notification shall include vessel name and number, number of salmon by species, port of landing and location of delivery, and estimated time of delivery. Inseason actions may modify harvest guidelines in later fisheries to achieve or prevent exceeding the overall allowable troll harvest impacts (C.8).

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South of Cape Falcon
Supplemental Management Information
<p>1. Klamath River recreational fishery allocation: 26.0% (10,400) 2. KMZ ocean recreational fishery share: 16.2%. 3. Non-Indian commercial troll Klamath fall Chinook impact allocation 63% California: 37% Oregon. 4. Klamath tribal allocation: 40,800.</p>
<p>Cape Falcon to Florence South Jetty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Except as provided below during the non-selective coho fishery, the season will be April 10-29; May 1 through June 30; July 11-30; August 4-28; September 10-13; October 1-31. <p>Landing and possession limit of 100 Chinook per vessel per calendar week in April; 150 Chinook per vessel per calendar week in September; 75 Chinook per vessel per calendar week in October (C.9). All salmon except coho (C.7). Chinook 28 inch total length minimum size (B). All vessels fishing in the area must land their fish in the State of Oregon. See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3) and Oregon State regulations for a description of special regulations at the mouth of Tillamook Bay.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-selective coho fishery: August 15 through the earlier of September 13 or a 10,000 non-mark-selective coho quota. Open August 15-28; Sept. 10-13. All salmon; no coho mark restriction; landing and possession limit of 50 coho per vessel per calendar week in August and September; landing and possession limit of 150 Chinook per vessel per calendar week in September (C.7). The all salmon except coho season reopens the earlier of October 1 or attainment of the coho quota, subject to the open dates listed above. Chinook 28 inch total length minimum size (B). All vessels fishing in the area must land their fish in the State of Oregon. See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3) and Oregon State regulations for a description of special regulations at the mouth of Tillamook Bay. <p>In 2008, the season will open March 15 for all salmon except coho. This opening could be modified following Council review at its March 2008 meeting.</p>
<p>Florence South Jetty to Humbug Mt.</p> <p>Same as Cape Falcon to Florence South Jetty, above, except:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The non-selective coho quota of 10,000 includes the entire area from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. • The Bandon High Spot Control Zone, defined as the area west of a line between 43°0700' N. lat.; 124°3700' W. long. and 42°4030' N. lat; 124° 520' W. long. (area approximately outside 6 nm from the Bandon south jetty to Humbug Mt.) will be closed in September and October (C.5.d). • If the August catch is projected to reach 15,000, inseason action will be taken to close the Bandon High Spot Control Zone through August 31 (C.5.d).
<p>Humbug Mt. to OR/CA Border (Oregon KMZ)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 10-29; May 1-31; • June 1 through earlier of June 30, or a 1,600 Chinook quota; • July 11 through earlier of July 31, or a 1,600 Chinook quota; • Aug. 1 through earlier of Aug. 29, or a 1,800 Chinook quota; • Sept. 6 through earlier of Sept. 30, or a 1,000 Chinook quota; (C.9) <p>All salmon except coho. Chinook 28 inch total length minimum size limit (B). Landing and possession limit of 100 Chinook per vessel per calendar week in April; 30 Chinook per vessel per day and 90 Chinook per vessel per calendar week during June, July, August, and September. See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3). Prior to June 1, all vessels fishing in the area must land their fish in the State of Oregon. June 1 through September 30, vessels must land their fish in Gold Beach, Port Orford, or Brookings, Oregon, and within 24 hours of closure. State regulations require fishers intending to transport and deliver their catch to other locations after first landing in one of these ports notify ODFW prior to transport away from the port of landing by calling 541-867-0300 Ext. 271, with vessel name and number, number of salmon by species, location of delivery, and estimated time of delivery.</p> <p>In 2008, the season will open March 15 for all salmon except coho, with a 28 inch Chinook minimum size limit. This opening could be modified following Council review at its March 2008 meeting.</p>
<p>OR/CA Border to Humboldt South Jetty (California KMZ)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September 10 through earlier of September 30, or 6,000 Chinook quota. <p>All salmon except coho. Chinook minimum size limit of 28 inches total length. Landing and possession limit of 30 fish per vessel per day. All fish caught in this area must be landed within the area. See compliance requirements (C.1) and gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3). Klamath Control Zone closed (C.5.e). See California State regulations for additional closures adjacent to the Smith and Klamath rivers. When the fishery is closed between the OR/CA border and Humbug Mt. and open to the south, vessels with fish on board caught in the open area off California may seek temporary mooring in Brookings, Oregon prior to landing in California only if such vessels first notify the Chetco River Coast Guard Station via VHF channel 22A between the hours of 0500 and 2200 and provide the vessel name, number of fish on board, and estimated time of arrival.</p>
<p>Humboldt South Jetty to Horse Mt.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed (C.9)

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<p>Horse Mt. to Point Arena (Fort Bragg)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 9 through the earlier of April 27 or a Chinook quota of 2,000; open Monday to Friday • August 1-29; September 1-30 (C.9) <p>All salmon except coho. Chinook minimum size limit of 27 inches total length in April and September; 28 inches total length in August (B). Landing and possession limit of 20 fish per vessel per day in April. All fish caught in the area must be landed within the area in April; all fish must be offloaded within 24 hours of any closure (C.1). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3). In 2008, the season will open April 7-25, Monday to Friday for all salmon except coho, with a 27 inch total length Chinook minimum size limit. This opening could be modified following Council review at its March 2008 meeting.</p>
<p>Pt. Arena to Pigeon Pt. (San Francisco)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 9-31; July 1 through August 29; September 1-30. (C.9) <p>All salmon except coho. Chinook minimum size limit of 27 inches total length in May and September; 28 inches total length in July and August (B). All fish must be offloaded within 24 hours of the August 29 closure (C.1). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3).</p> <p>Pt. Reyes to Pt. San Pedro (Fall Area Target Zone)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 1-5; 8-12. <p>Open Monday through Friday. All salmon except coho (C.1). Chinook minimum size limit of 27 inches total length (B). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3).</p>
<p>Pigeon Pt. to Pt. Sur (Monterey)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1-31; July 1 through August 29; September 1-30. (C.9) <p>All salmon except coho. Chinook minimum size limit of 27 inches total length in May and September; 28 inches total length in July and August (B). All fish must be offloaded within 24 hours of the August 29 closure (C.1). See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3).</p>
<p>Pt. Sur to U.S./Mexico Border (Morro Bay)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1 through September 30. <p>All salmon except coho. Chinook minimum size limit of 27 inches total length in May, June, and September; 28 inches total length in July and August. See gear restrictions and definitions (C.2, C.3).</p>

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B. MINIMUM SIZE (Inches) (See C.1)					
Area (when open)	Chinook		Coho		Pink
	Total Length	Head-off	Total Length	Head-off	
North of Cape Falcon	28.0	21.5	16.0	12.0	None
Cape Falcon to OR/CA Border	28.0	21.5			
OR/CA Border to Horse Mt.	28.0	21.5	-	-	None
Horse Mt. to U.S./Mexico Border					
Prior to July 1 and after August 31	27.0	20.5	-	-	None
July 1-August 31	28.0	21.5	-	-	None

C. REQUIREMENTS, DEFINITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, OR EXCEPTIONS

C.1. Compliance with Minimum Size or Other Special Restrictions: All salmon on board a vessel must meet the minimum size, landing/possession limit, or other special requirements for the area being fished and the area in which they are landed if the area is open. Salmon may be landed in an area that has been closed more than 96 hours only if they meet the minimum size, landing/possession limit, or other special requirements for the area in which they were caught. Salmon may be landed in an area that has been closed less than 96 hours only if they meet the minimum size, landing/possession limit, or other special requirements for the areas in which they were caught and landed.

States may require fish landing/receiving tickets be kept on board the vessel for 90 days after landing to account for all previous salmon landings.

C.2. Gear Restrictions:

- a. Single point, single shank, barbless hooks are required in all fisheries.
- b. Cape Falcon, Oregon, to the OR/CA border: No more than 4 spreads are allowed per line.
- c. OR/CA border to U.S./Mexico border: No more than 6 lines are allowed per vessel, and barbless circle hooks are required when fishing with bait by any means other than trolling.

C.3. Gear Definitions:

Trolling defined: Fishing from a boat or floating device that is making way by means of a source of power, other than drifting by means of the prevailing water current or weather conditions.

Troll fishing gear defined: One or more lines that drag hooks behind a moving fishing vessel. In that portion of the fishery management area (FMA) off Oregon and Washington, the line or lines must be affixed to the vessel and must not be intentionally disengaged from the vessel at any time during the fishing operation.

Spread defined: A single leader connected to an individual lure or bait.

Circle hook defined: A hook with a generally circular shape and a point which turns inward, pointing directly to the shank at a 90° angle.

C.4. Transit Through Closed Areas with Salmon on Board: It is unlawful for a vessel to have troll or recreational gear in the water while transiting any area closed to fishing for a certain species of salmon, while possessing that species of salmon; however, fishing for species other than salmon is not prohibited if the area is open for such species, and no salmon are in possession.

C. REQUIREMENTS, DEFINITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, OR EXCEPTIONS (continued)

C.5. Control Zone Definitions:

- a. *Cape Flattery Control Zone* - The area from Cape Flattery (48°23'00" N. lat.) to the northern boundary of the U.S. EEZ; and the area from Cape Flattery south to Cape Alava (48°10'00" N. lat.) and east of 125°05'00" W. long.
- b. *Mandatory Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Area* - The area in Washington Marine Catch Area 3 from 48°00.00' N. lat.; 125°14.00' W. long. to 48°02.00' N. lat.; 125°14.00' W. long. to 48°02.00' N. lat.; 125°16.50' W. long. to 48°00.00' N. lat.; 125°16.50' W. long. and connecting back to 48°00.00' N. lat.; 125°14.00' W. long.
- c. *Columbia Control Zone* - An area at the Columbia River mouth, bounded on the west by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 (46°13'35" N. lat., 124°06'50" W. long.) and the green lighted Buoy #7 (46°15'09" N. lat., 124°06'16" W. long.); on the east, by the Buoy #10 line which bears north/south at 357° true from the south jetty at 46°14'00" N. lat., 124°03'07" W. long. to its intersection with the north jetty; on the north, by a line running northeast/southwest between the green lighted Buoy #7 to the tip of the north jetty (46°15'48" N. lat., 124°05'20" W. long.), and then along the north jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line; and, on the south, by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 and tip of the south jetty (46°14'03" N. lat., 124°04'05" W. long.), and then along the south jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line.
- d. *Bandon High Spot Control Zone* - The area west of a line between 43°07'00" N. lat.; 124°37'00" W. long. and 42°40'30" N. lat.; 124°52'00" W. long. extending to the western edge of the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).
- e. *Klamath Control Zone* - The ocean area at the Klamath River mouth bounded on the north by 41°38'48" N. lat. (approximately six nautical miles north of the Klamath River mouth); on the west, by 124°23'00" W. long. (approximately 12 nautical miles off shore); and on the south, by 41°26'48" N. lat. (approximately six nautical miles south of the Klamath River mouth).

C.6. Notification When Unsafe Conditions Prevent Compliance with Regulations: If prevented by unsafe weather conditions or mechanical problems from meeting special management area landing restrictions, vessels must notify the U.S. Coast Guard and receive acknowledgment of such notification prior to leaving the area. This notification shall include the name of the vessel, port where delivery will be made, approximate amount of salmon (by species) on board, and the estimated time of arrival.

C.7. Incidental Halibut Harvest: During authorized periods, the operator of a vessel that has been issued an incidental halibut harvest license may retain Pacific halibut caught incidentally in Area 2A while trolling for salmon. Halibut retained must be no less than 32 inches in total length, measured from the tip of the lower jaw with the mouth closed to the extreme end of the middle of the tail, and must be landed with the head on. License applications for incidental harvest must be obtained from the International Pacific Halibut Commission (phone: 206-634-1838). Applicants must apply prior to April 1 of each year. Incidental harvest is authorized only during May and June troll seasons and after June 30 if quota remains and if announced on the NMFS hotline (phone: 800-662-9825). ODFW and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) will monitor landings. If the landings are projected to exceed the 39,918 pound preseason allocation or the total Area 2A non-Indian commercial halibut allocation, NMFS will take inseason action to close the incidental halibut fishery.

Beginning May 1, license holders may land no more than one Pacific halibut per each 3 Chinook, except one Pacific halibut may be landed without meeting the ratio requirement, and no more than 35 halibut may be landed per trip. Pacific halibut retained must be no less than 32 inches in total length (with head on).

A "C-shaped" yelloweye rockfish conservation area is an area to be voluntarily avoided for salmon trolling. NMFS and the Council request salmon trollers voluntarily avoid this area in order to protect yelloweye rockfish. The area is defined in the Pacific Council Halibut Catch Sharing Plan in the North Coast subarea (Washington marine area 3), with the following coordinates in the order listed:

- 48°18' N. lat.; 125°18' W. long.;
- 48°18' N. lat.; 124°59' W. long.;
- 48°11' N. lat.; 124°59' W. long.;
- 48°11' N. lat.; 125°11' W. long.;
- 48°04' N. lat.; 125°11' W. long.;
- 48°04' N. lat.; 124°59' W. long.;
- 48°00' N. lat.; 124°59' W. long.;
- 48°00' N. lat.; 125°18' W. long.;
- and connecting back to 48°18' N. lat.; 125°18' W. long.

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C. REQUIREMENTS, DEFINITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, OR EXCEPTIONS (continued)

C.8. Inseason Management: In addition to standard inseason actions or modifications already noted under the season description, the following inseason guidance is provided to NMFS:

- a. Chinook remaining from the May through June non-Indian commercial troll harvest guideline north of Cape Falcon may be transferred to the July through September harvest guideline on a fishery impact equivalent basis.
- b. NMFS may transfer fish between the recreational and commercial fisheries north of Cape Falcon if there is agreement among the areas' representatives on the SAS.
- c. At the March 2008 meeting, the Council will consider inseason recommendations for special regulations for any experimental fisheries (proposals must meet Council protocol and be received in November 2007).
- d. If retention of unmarked coho is permitted in the area from the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, Oregon, by inseason action, the allowable coho quota will be adjusted to ensure preseason projected mortality of critical stocks is not exceeded.

C.9. Consistent with Council management objectives:

- a. the State of Oregon may establish additional late-season fisheries in state waters.
- b. the State of California may establish limited fisheries in selected state waters.

Check state regulations for details.

C.10. For the purposes of California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) Code, Section 8232.5, the definition of the KMZ for the ocean salmon season shall be that area from Humbug Mt., Oregon, to Horse Mt., California.

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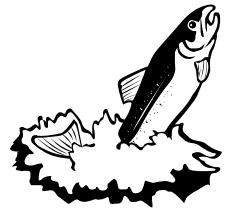
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