

**Council Motion on BSAI and GOA Trawl LLP Recency
(BSAI FMP amendment 92/GOA FMP Amendment 82)
April 7, 2008**

The Council selects the following as the preferred alternative for final action on the trawl recency amendment package:

Alternative 3. Remove the subarea (BS, AI, WG, and/or CG) endorsements on trawl LLPs unless the license meets a minimum landing threshold in the specified subarea (see Component 1).

Component 1 (Landings thresholds in the specified area)¹:

Option 3. Two groundfish landings during 2000 – 2006

Option 5. (*Applicable to trawl CV LLPs with CG and WG endorsements*). One can also retain both GOA subarea endorsements if significant landings have been made in one of the management areas (e.g. WG or CG). The trawl CV LLP must meet the landing criteria selected (Alternative 3, Option 3 above) for a specific subarea (e.g., WG), plus the license must have participation in the same subarea (e.g. WG) in 2005 or 2006 or 2007 of at least:

Suboption 1: 20 landings

Component 2 (Stacked LLPs)

Groundfish harvest history is credited to each LLP stacked on a single vessel at the time of the landing. In future actions, particularly those involving allocations, the Council may credit catch to a single license in cases in which multiple licenses are stacked on a vessel.

Component 4 (Adding new AI endorsements to trawl LLPs)

Option 1. Award AI endorsements to non-AFA trawl CV <60' MLOA LLPs if they meet landing thresholds in the AI parallel Pacific cod fishery during 2000 – 2006 of at least:

Suboption 3: 500 mt

Option 2. Award AI endorsements to non-AFA trawl CV $\geq 60'$ MLOA LLPs if they have at least one landing in the AI parallel groundfish fishery or AI State water Pacific cod fishery in 2000–2006, and meet the following threshold in the BSAI Pacific cod fishery in 2000 – 2006:

Suboption 2: 1,000 mt

These endorsements are not severable.

Option 3. Aleutian Islands endorsements issued under Component 4, Option 1, shall be severable and transferable. The AI area trawl endorsements can only be transferred to a non-AFA trawl CV LLP with a trawl CV designation and an MLOA designation of <60'.

Alternative 3 applies to all trawl CV and CP LLPs in the areas specified except for those identified in the following exemptions:

AFA exemption from BSAI landings thresholds: Exempt BSAI LLP endorsements originally issued to vessels qualified under the AFA and any non-AFA BSAI LLPs assigned to AFA vessels not having any other license. (Applies to CPs and CVs).

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Central Gulf Rockfish Pilot Program exemption from CG landings thresholds: Exempt CG subarea endorsements on CG rockfish pilot program qualified licenses. (Applies to CPs and CVs).

¹Note that the landings thresholds under Alternative 3 include landings in the parallel and Federal groundfish fisheries. Catcher processor licenses are credited with their landings whether they were operating as a catcher processor or a catcher vessel at the time of landing.

Amendment 80 exemption from BSAI landings thresholds: Exempt BSAI LLP endorsements originally issued to vessels qualified under Am. 80 and BSAI LLPs used for eligibility in Am. 80.

The Council deems proposed regulations that clearly and directly flow from the provisions of this motion to be necessary and appropriate in accordance with section 303(c).

The Council authorizes the Executive Director and the Chairman to review the draft proposed regulations when provided by NMFS to ensure that the proposed regulations to be submitted to the Secretary under section 303(c) are consistent with these instructions.