

**NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
GULF OF ALASKA GROUND FISH RATIONALIZATION**

Council Motion

April 2, 2004

The Council adopted the following options for analysis concerning the allocation of a portion of the TAC to fisheries inside of 3 nm for State management:

- 1) An amount equivalent to the total annual catch (for each groundfish species/group) from state waters (inside of 3 nautical miles [e.g., parallel and 25% Pacific cod fishery]) by all vessels will be managed directly by the State of Alaska Board of Fisheries as a TAC/GHL equivalent to:
 - a. Highest amount taken in state waters by area
 - b. Highest amount taken in state waters by area plus 15%
 - c. Most recent four-year average harvest from state waters
- 2) All catch inside of 3 nautical miles by non-federally permitted vessels fishing the parallel fishery plus all catch under the 25% state water cod fishery and the PWS Pollock fishery remains under the authority of the State of Alaska Board of Fisheries.
- 3) Only the catch associated with the 25% state water cod fishery and the PWS Pollock fishery remains under the authority of the State of Alaska Board of Fisheries.

These provisions will be substituted for the existing provisions concerning allocations to the State waters fisheries in the elements and option for Gulf rationalization.