

with copies of a recipient's case disclosure information. The procedures could also set out the costs for copying or mailing such information.

List of Subjects in 45 CFR Part 1644

Grant programs, Legal services, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

For reasons set forth in the preamble, LSC proposes to amend Chapter XVI of Title 45 by adding part 1644 as follows:

PART 1644—DISCLOSURE OF CASE INFORMATION

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1644.1 Purpose.
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1644.3 Case disclosure requirement.
1644.4 Applicability.
1644.5 Recipient policies and procedures.

Authority: Pub. L. 105-119, 111 Stat. 2440, Sec. 505; Pub. L. 104-134, 110 Stat. 1321; 42 U.S.C. 2996g(a).

§ 1644.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this rule is to ensure that recipients disclose to the public and to the Corporation certain information on cases filed in court by their attorneys.

§ 1644.2 Definitions.

For the purposes of this part:

- (a) *To disclose the cause of action* means to provide a sufficient description of the case to indicate the type or principal nature of the case.
(b) *Recipient* means any grantee or contractor receiving funds from the Corporation under section 1006(a)(1) of the Act and includes any subrecipient which receives LSC funds from a recipient for direct representation of eligible clients.
(c) *Attorney* means any attorney employed by the recipient, as a regular or contract employee, and regardless of whether the attorney is employed full-time or part time.

§ 1644.3 Case disclosure requirement.

- (a) For each case filed in court by its attorneys after January 1, 1998, a recipient shall disclose, in accordance with the requirements of this part, the following information:
(1) The name and full address of each party to a case, unless:
(A) the information is protected by an order or rule of court or by State or Federal law; or
(B) the recipient's attorney reasonably believes that revealing such information would put the client of the recipient at risk of physical harm;
(2) The cause of action;
(3) The name and full address of the court where the case is filed; and

(4) The case number assigned to the case by the court.

(b) Recipients shall provide the information required in paragraph (a) of this section to the Corporation in semiannual reports in the manner specified by the Corporation. Recipients may file such reports on behalf of their subrecipients for cases filed by subrecipients covered by this part. Such reports will be made available to the public by the Corporation upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

(c) Upon request, a recipient shall make the information required in paragraph (a) of this section available in written form to any person. Recipients may charge reasonable mailing and document copying fees.

§ 1644.4 Applicability.

- (a) The case disclosure requirements of this part apply:
(1) Only to actions filed on behalf of plaintiffs or petitioners;
(2) Only to the original filing of a case, except for appeals filed in appellate courts by a recipient if the recipient was not the attorney of record in the case below; or
(3) To judicial appeals of administrative actions when such appeals are first filed in court.
(b) This part does not apply to cases filed by private attorneys as part of a recipient's private attorney involvement activities pursuant to part 1614 of this chapter.

§ 1644.5 Recipient policies and procedures.

Each recipient shall adopt written policies and procedures to implement the requirements of this part.

Dated: February 13, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 980112009-8009-01; I.D. 110697B]

RIN 0648-AK36

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Revisions to Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements

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

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS is proposing revisions to several sections of regulations that pertain to permits, recordkeeping and reporting requirements for fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) off Alaska. The changes made by this rule are necessary to clarify and simplify existing text, facilitate management of the fisheries, promote compliance with regulations, and facilitate enforcement efforts. This action is intended to further the goals and objectives of the fishery management plans (FMPs) for the fisheries of the EEZ off Alaska.

DATES: Comments must be received by March 6, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be sent to Assistant Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, NMFS, Alaska Region, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802, Attn: Lori Gravel, or delivered to Federal Building, Fourth Floor, 709 West 9th Street, Juneau, AK, and marked Attn: Lori Gravel. Send comments on collection-of-information requirements to the above address and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20503 (Attn: NOAA Desk Officer).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patsy A. Bearden, 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

NMFS manages the groundfish fisheries in the EEZ off Alaska under authority of the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA) and the Fishery Management Plan for the Groundfish Fishery of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands (BSAI) Area. These FMPs are implemented by regulations at 50 CFR part 679. General regulations that also pertain to these fisheries appear in subpart H to 50 CFR part 600. The FMPs were prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

NMFS is proposing revisions to several sections of the implementing regulations for these FMPs that pertain to permits, recordkeeping, and reporting. The proposed changes would clarify existing regulatory text, facilitate management of the fisheries, promote compliance with regulations, and facilitate enforcement efforts.

Definitions

Revisions. The following revisions to definitions in § 679.2 are proposed:

Manager. The current definition of “manager” includes reference to a buying station; however, only land-based buying stations have a manager. The proposed revision corrects the definition to refer specifically to land-based buying stations.

Reporting area. The term “reporting area” in past years included reference to Alaska State waters. In that context a reporting area consisted of an EEZ portion and a State portion. NMFS then expanded the term “reporting area” to include areas like the Donut Hole that did not contain either EEZ or State waters. Also, a reporting area could consist entirely of State waters. The proposed revision amends the definition of “reporting area” to include all three possible meanings.

Transfer. A revision of the definition of “transfer” is proposed to clarify that a transfer occurs after initial delivery from a catcher vessel.

Additions. The following additions to the definitions in § 679.2 are proposed:

Ancillary product. The term “ancillary product” is used extensively in § 679.5 and is defined at § 679.20(g)(2)(iii). To clarify the regulations, the text defining “ancillary product” would be removed from § 679.20 and inserted into the definitions section at § 679.2.

Groundfish product or fish product. The term “groundfish product or fish product” would be added to § 679.2 and would be defined to mean any product for which a code is listed in Table 1 to part 679, and for any species for which a code is listed in Table 2 to part 679, except the prohibited species codes in Table 2 to part 679.

Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Regulatory Areas, sablefish. The terms “Central Gulf or GOA Central Regulatory Area,” “Eastern Gulf or GOA Eastern Regulatory Area,” and “Western Gulf or GOA Regulatory Area” would be added to § 679.2 because they are used in the regulatory text at various locations.

Cross References

NMFS proposes to add the following cross references:

To § 679.2, the terms “catch,” “discard,” and “retain on board” at § 600.10 and § 679.27.

To § 679.4, the terms “Experimental fisheries permits” and “Salmon donation program permits” at § 679.6 and § 679.26(a)(3), respectively.

To § 679.2, the terms “other flatfish,” “shallow water flatfish,” “deep water

flatfish,” “other rockfish,” and “other red rockfish” at § 679.20(c).

To § 679.5(c)(3)(iv), the topic regarding submittal of a blue Daily Fishing Logbook (DFL) logsheet at § 679.5(a)(10)(ii)(B).

To § 679.25, the topic regarding inseason adjustments at § 679.20(d)(1)(ii)(A).

To § 679.21(b), the topic regarding sablefish at § 679.23(g)(3).

NMFS proposes to revise the following cross references:

Revise § 679.20 to § 679.20(d), regarding closures at § 679.22(a)(7)(ii), § 679.22(a)(8)(ii), and § 679.22(b)(2)(ii).

Figures

Gear test areas. NMFS proposes to correct the gear test areas shown in Figure 7 to part 679.

Chinook salmon savings areas. NMFS proposes to remove the coordinates of the chinook salmon savings area from regulatory text at § 679.21(e)(7)(vii)(B), present the coordinates in a new Figure 8 to part 679, and place a cross reference in this paragraph to Figure 8 to part 679.

Chum salmon savings areas. NMFS proposes to remove the coordinates of the chum salmon savings area from regulatory text at § 679.21(e)(7)(vi)(B), present the coordinates in a new Figure 9 to part 679, and place a cross reference in this paragraph to Figure 9 to part 679.

Pribilof Islands Area Habitat Conservation Zone. NMFS proposes to remove the coordinates of the Pribilof Islands Area Habitat Conservation Zone from regulatory text at § 679.22(a)(6), present the coordinates in a new Figure 10 to part 679, and place a cross reference in this paragraph to Figure 10 to part 679.

Red King Crab Savings Area (RKCSA). NMFS proposes to remove the coordinates of the RKCSA from regulatory text at § 679.22(a)(3), present the coordinates in a new Figure 11 to part 679, and place a cross reference in this paragraph to Figure 11 to part 679.

Nearshore Bristol Bay trawl closure area. NMFS proposes to remove the coordinates of the Nearshore Bristol Bay trawl closure area from regulatory text at § 679.22(a)(9), present the coordinates in a new Figure 12 to part 679, and place a cross reference in this paragraph to Figure 12 to part 679.

C. opilio Crab Bycatch Limitation Zone (COBLZ). NMFS proposes to remove the coordinates of the COBLZ from regulatory text at § 679.21(e)(7)(iv)(B), to present the coordinates in a new Figure 13 to part 679, and to place a cross reference in this paragraph to Figure 13 to part 679.

Scallop registration areas. NMFS proposes to remove the coordinates of the scallop registration areas and districts from regulatory text at § 679.61 (a) through (i), present the coordinates in a new Figure 14 to part 679, and place a cross reference in this paragraph to Figure 14 to part 679.

Sablefish regulatory areas. NMFS proposes to add a new Figure 15 to part 679 to describe the sablefish IFQ regulatory areas referenced at § 679.41(e).

Pacific halibut regulatory areas. NMFS proposes to add a new Figure 16 to part 679 to describe the IFQ regulatory areas for the Pacific halibut fishery that are referenced at § 679.2 and § 679.41(e).

Tables

NMFS proposes to amend Table 1 to part 679 by revising the title of discard code M99 to read, “Discard, off-site meal.”

NMFS proposes to amend Table 2 to part 679 to accommodate the Council’s recommendation for BSAI and GOA FMP amendments to add new species categories of forage fish.

NMFS proposes to amend Table 3 to part 679 by:

a. Revising the title to read: Table 3—Product Recovery Rates (PRR) for Groundfish Species and Conversion Rates for Pacific halibut.

b. Moving the halibut conversion factors presented in regulatory text at § 679.42(c)(2)(iii) to Table 3 to part 679 and placing a cross reference in that paragraph to Table 3 to part 679.

Reformat and Clarify Regulatory Text

NMFS proposes to alter the format of the regulatory text in several places to provide a more logical flow of information, to clarify text, to add paragraph titles where needed, and to correct spelling errors as follows:

Remove from § 679.5(d)(1)(i) the words “subject to this part,” as outdated language.

Add § 679.5(a)(3)(iii) to indicate signature is acceptance of responsibility.

Remove the words “if applicable” from § 679.5(a)(5)(ii).

Add Alaska Department of Fish & Game (ADF&G) processor code and Federal fisheries permit number to § 679.5(a)(5)(vii).

Add signature to § 679.5(a)(5)(viii).

Establish a single source of information in regulatory text for participant identification information (§ 679.5(a)(5)), maintenance of records (§ 679.5(a)(6)), active and inactive periods (§ 679.5(a)(7)), and discarded/donated species information (§ 679.5(a)(10)) by removing text that

duplicates that information from § 679.5(a)(10)(ii) through (v), (c)(3), (d)(2), (e)(2), (f)(2), (g)(3), (h)(3), (i)(3), (j)(4), and (k)(2).

Add the words "in the logbook" after "fishing year" in § 679.5(a)(6)(ii).

Revise "date" description under § 679.5(a)(6)(iii)(B) for catcher vessel DFL and shoreside processor daily cumulative production logbook (DCPL).

Revise "page" description under § 679.5(a)(7)(ii).

Remove the words "or catch receipts" in § 679.5(a)(16)(ii).

Present as separate paragraphs the catcher vessel and catcher/processor requirements at § 679.5(c)(2).

Correct the words "vessel registration number" to read "vessel number" in § 679.5(d)(2)(ii)(D), (e)(2)(ii), and (f)(2)(i)(D).

Revise paragraph § 679.5(f)(2)(i)(E) from "nearest 0.001 mt" to read "in pounds or to the nearest mt."

Change time limit submittal requirement at § 679.5(g)(2)(ii) for product transfer reports (PTRs) from "within 24 hr of completion of transfer" to read "by 1200 hours A.L.T. on the Tuesday following the end of the applicable weekly reporting period."

Remove a duplicate but partial list of pollock PRRs from § 679.20(g)(3) and place a cross reference in that paragraph to Table 3 to part 679.

Add paragraph titles to § 679.41(e)(1), (2), and (3).

Remove the requirement to record Federal or Alaska State areas within a reporting area.

Add the requirement to record information regarding COBLZ or RKCSA within a reporting area.

NMFS proposes to revise the requirement for recording haul or set numbers at § 679.5(c)(3)(i) to use consecutive numbers by year to identify each haul or set; each haul or set would be unique within a given year. This proposed change would allow better coordination between industry and observer records by establishing a standard method of accounting for haul and set numbers.

NMFS proposes to remove the requirements to record "balance forward" information in the shoreside processor DCPL landings discard/donation, and production at § 679.5(a)(8), (9), and (10). The shoreside processor DCPL is designed to accommodate 1 week's data on one page; therefore, there is no balance forward from a previous page.

Non-Alaska Fish Tickets

NMFS proposes to clarify the requirements for fish tickets from shoreside processors located in a state other than Alaska at § 679.5(f)(2)(i)(G).

Recordkeeping and Reporting

ADF&G Fish Tickets

Currently, when a mothership receives groundfish from a catcher vessel, the operator of the mothership issues a catch receipt or voluntarily issues an ADF&G fish ticket to the catcher vessel. If a fish ticket is issued, the fish ticket number is reported by the mothership on a weekly production report (WPR). NMFS proposes to add a requirement at § 679.5(m) that would remove the option from motherships to issue a catch receipt to catcher vessels and would require all motherships to weekly aggregate groundfish harvest information on an ADF&G fish ticket by species for each catcher vessel delivering groundfish to the mothership and to submit each fish ticket monthly to ADF&G. This change would provide a more complete record of catcher vessel participation in the groundfish fisheries. Information collected on fish tickets is needed to assess alternative fisheries management programs that may be considered by the Council in the future.

Groundfish as Bait

No Federal or Alaska State mechanism exists for reporting the amounts of groundfish retained as bait by catcher vessels in the crab fishery because the fish are not landed or delivered to a processor. NMFS has determined that the quantities of groundfish involved are relatively small and can be sufficiently estimated for purposes of management of the groundfish resource. NMFS proposes to add § 679.5(a)(1)(iv) to exempt such catcher vessels from groundfish recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

NMFS proposes to revise regulatory text to clarify the recording of aggregated bait sales on a product transfer report (PTR) at § 679.5(g)(1)(iii).

Fishing Trip

NMFS proposes to remove the requirement to record the start date, end date, and trip number of a fishing trip by catcher vessels and catcher/processors at § 679.5(c)(3)(i)(B). NMFS determined that documentation of fishing activity within a trip can be obtained from other logbook data.

Recording Retained Pacific Cod and Rockfish

NMFS proposes to reformat the DFL and catcher/processor DCPL and revise the regulatory text at § 679.5(c)(3). These changes would complement prior revisions in the regulations at § 679.7(f)(8) concerning retention of Pacific cod and rockfish caught

incidentally while fishing in an IFQ fishery.

"Required" vs "Issued"

NMFS proposes to clarify the regulatory text at § 679.5(a)(1)(ii) to read "issued a permit" to replace "required to have a permit." This change would clarify that processors that receive groundfish from a vessel that has been issued a Federal fisheries permit are required to comply with all the applicable recordkeeping and reporting requirements for the remainder of the year, regardless of where the fish were caught.

Reprocessed Product

NMFS proposes to add the words, "PTR TRANSFER," as an option under the category "gear type" in the regulatory text at § 679.5(a)(7)(v)(A) and on the DFL, mothership and shoreside processor DCPL, daily cumulative logbook (DCL), WPR, and PTR to document the removal (or receipt) of groundfish for reprocessing. Each processor records fish products in the DCPL and reports these products to NMFS on a WPR. Through the use of this new option, when groundfish are shipped from one processor to another processor for reprocessing, the product would be identified as reprocessed and would ensure that the groundfish quantity is not deducted from the quota twice.

Gear Type

NMFS proposes to add the word, "OTHER," as an option under the category "gear type" in the regulatory text at § 679.5(a)(7)(v)(A) and on the DFL, DCL, DCPL, WPR to indicate groundfish product received from catcher vessels using gear other than federally authorized gear types in Alaska State waters. This situation occurs when a vessel is fishing in a non-groundfish fishery with a gear other than the authorized gear defined at § 679.2 and that vessel retains the groundfish.

Active Status

NMFS proposes to describe "active status" in the regulations at § 679.5(a)(7)(vi) through (ix) and the logbooks in consistent terms. In the DFL and catcher/processor DCPL, the wording for active/inactive status is "Active, Not Fishing"; in the regulations, the wording "No Fishing Activity" would be changed to read "Active, Not Fishing." When referring to a mothership or shoreside processor, the regulatory text would be changed to read "No Receiving or processing activity." When referring to a buying

station, the regulatory text would be changed to read "No receiving or delivery activity."

Summarize by Weekly Reporting Period

NMFS proposes to reinsert language in regulatory text at § 679.5(a)(8)(ii)(D) and (a)(9) (iii) and (iv) requiring that all landings, discards, and production records be summarized at the end of the weekly reporting period. Through previous consolidation of regulations, some of this language was lost.

Discards or Donations

NMFS proposes to change the regulatory text from "discards and donations" to read "discards or donations" wherever it appears.

Procedure for Recording Discards or Donations

In § 679.5(a), the text regarding discards or donations is duplicated several times. To remove this duplication, NMFS proposes to describe the procedure to record discards or donations at § 679.5(a)(10)(i)(C), remove the duplicate text from § 679.5(a)(10)(ii)(A), (iii)(A), (iv)(B) and (C), and (v)(B), and place a cross reference in those paragraphs to § 679.5(a)(10)(i)(C).

Discard, Off-Site Meal

NMFS proposes to clarify regulatory text concerning an off-site transfer of discard at § 679.5(g)(1)(ii) and to identify such a transfer as discard code M99 in Table 1 to Part 679.

Logsheet Maintenance and Storage

NMFS proposes to revise the submittal instructions in the regulations, logbooks, and instructions in response to the move of NMFS logbook file storage from the Observer Program in Seattle, WA, to NOAA Enforcement Division in Juneau, AK.

Delivery Information

NMFS proposes to revise paragraph headings at § 679.5(d)(2)(ii), (e)(2), and (f)(2)(i) to read "delivery information" for consistency with the logsheet text.

Time Limits

NMFS proposes to change the regulatory text regarding recordkeeping and reporting time limits. The proposed changes would clarify existing text and add specific reference to recording of discard or donation information in the DFL, DCL, and DCPL at § 679.5(d)(1) (i) and (ii), (e)(1) (i) and (ii), and (f)(1) (i) and (ii). The proposed changes would not alter the time limits in which the information must be recorded.

NMFS proposes to revise some regulatory text that causes a conflict in

recordkeeping and reporting submittal times at § 679.5(c)(2)(i)(B), (c)(2)(ii)(B), (d)(1)(ii), (e)(1)(ii), and (f)(1)(ii).

PTR Fax to Enforcement

NMFS proposes to revise the regulatory text at § 679.5(g)(2)(ii) from "Regional Administrator" to read "NMFS Enforcement" because a PTR would no longer be sent to the Regional Administrator but to NMFS Enforcement at the fax number printed on the PTR.

Shoreside Processor Check-out Report

NMFS proposes to clarify regulatory text at § 679.5(h)(2)(ii)(C) and the shoreside processor check-in/check-out report to allow a shoreside processor the option of submitting a check-out report when receipt or processing of groundfish is temporarily halted during the fishing year for a period greater than 2 weeks.

Shoreside Processor Product Held at Plant

NMFS proposes to clarify regulatory text at § 679.5(h)(3)(iii) to require that all fish product held at a shoreside facility be reported on each check-in/check-out report.

Procedure for Recording Blue Discard DFL

NMFS proposes to clarify the recordkeeping procedure at § 679.5(d)(2)(ii)(B), (e)(2)(vi), and (f)(2)(i)(C) for the operator or manager of a buying station, mothership, or shoreside processor that does not receive a blue discard DFL logsheet with groundfish catch from a catcher vessel. If a blue discard logsheet is not received, currently the operator or manager records "NO" in the RECEIVE DISCARD REPORT column. NMFS proposes to require the operator or manager to also indicate, after the response "NO," either "P" to indicate the catcher vessel does not have a Federal fisheries permit; "L" to indicate the catcher vessel is under 60 ft (18.3 m) length overall (LOA); or "U" to indicate the catcher vessel delivered an unsorted codend. If a catcher vessel is under 60 ft (18.3 m) LOA and also does not have a Federal fisheries permit, the operator or manager would record "P."

Prohibitions

NMFS proposes to add two new prohibitions at § 679.7 that are supported by current regulations: (1) To receive or process groundfish without a Federal processor permit and (2) to exceed a maximum retainable groundfish bycatch amount.

Classification

This proposed rule contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). OMB approval for the majority of this information has been obtained under OMB control numbers 0648-0206 and -0213; additions and revisions to the collection have been submitted to OMB for approval of additions and revisions.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

Approved Under 0648-0206—Alaska Permits

No new forms or revisions to forms.

Approved Under 0648-0213—Alaska Region Logbook Family of Forms

Revisions to existing logbooks and forms have the following effects: Estimated time for an operator of a catcher vessel with fixed gear to complete a DFL decreases from 0.38 hour per response to 0.30 hour per response; estimated time for an operator of a catcher vessel with gear other than fixed gear to complete a DFL decreases from 0.37 hour per response to 0.30 hour per response; estimated time for an operator of a catcher/processor with fixed gear to complete a catcher/processor DCPL decreases from 0.58 hour per response to 0.50 hour per response; estimated time for an operator of a catcher/processor with gear other than fixed gear to complete a catcher/processor DCPL decreases from 0.56 hour per response to 0.50 hour per response; estimated time for an operator of a mothership to complete a mothership DCPL decreases from 0.55 hour per response to 0.52 hour per response; estimated time for a manager of a shoreside processor to complete a shoreside processor DCPL decreases from 0.45 hour per response to 0.40 hour per response; estimated time for a manager or operator of a buying station to complete a buying station DCL decreases from 0.42 hour per response to 0.38 hour per response; estimated time for a manager or operator of a processor to complete a WPR decreases from 0.30 hour per response to 0.28 hour per response; estimated time for a manager or operator of a processor to complete a daily production report (DPR) increases from 0.17 hour per response to 0.18 hour per response;

estimated time for a manager or operator of a processor to complete a check-in/check-out report decreases from 0.13 hour per response to 0.12 hour per response for vessel processors and remains constant at 0.13 hour per response for shoreside processors; estimated time for a manager or operator of a buying station to complete a check-in/check-out report decreases from 0.10 hour per response to 0.08 hour per response; estimated time for an operator of a vessel to complete a Vessel Activity Report (VAR) decreases from 0.25 hour per response to 0.23 hour per response; removal of voluntary submittal of an ADF&G Alaska Commercial Operator's Annual Report results in a decrease of 6 hours per response; addition of the requirement for motherships to submit ADF&G fish tickets results in an increase of 0.58 hour per response. The estimated response times shown include the time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the data needed, and complete and review the collection of information.

Public comment is sought regarding: Whether this proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including rather the information has practical utility; the accuracy of the burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to NMFS and to OIRA, OMB (see ADDRESSES).

This action has been determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866. This determination is based on the information gathered within the Regulatory Impact Review (RIR) prepared for regulatory amendments to recordkeeping and reporting requirements (June 1995) and a finding of non-significance made for the 1994 rulemaking. No substantive recordkeeping or reporting changes are made with this proposed rule.

The Assistant General Counsel of the Department of Commerce certified to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration that this proposed rule, if adopted, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities as follows.

Recordkeeping and reporting applies to almost all of the vessels currently participating in Alaska groundfish fisheries. This is a "substantial number" of small entities, as NMFS has interpreted this term to mean 20 percent of the total universe of small entities affected by the regulation. However the proposed action would not impose any additional compliance costs on small entities. It would impose minor changes and in many instances reduce the time needed to complete the recordkeeping and reporting documents. Therefore, this action would not have a "significant impact," as NMFS has interpreted that term to mean: a reduction in annual gross revenues by more than 5 percent, an increase in total costs of production by more than 5 percent, or compliance costs for small entities that are at least 10 percent higher than compliance costs as a percent of sales for large entities.

Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis was not prepared.

List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 679

Alaska, Fisheries, Recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

Dated: February 5, 1998.

David L. Evans,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 50 CFR part 679 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 679—FISHERIES OF THE EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE OFF ALASKA

1. The authority citation for 50 CFR part 679 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 773 *et seq.*, 1801 *et seq.*, and 3631 *et seq.*

2. In § 679.2, the definitions for "C. Opilio Crab Bycatch Limitation Zone (COBLZ)," "Manager," "Reporting area," and "Transfer" are revised; and definitions for "Ancillary product," "Bled codend," "Catch," "Central Gulf or GOA Central Regulatory Area," "Deep water flatfish," "Discard," "Eastern Gulf or GOA Eastern Regulatory Area," "Groundfish product or fish product," "Other flatfish," "Other red rockfish," "Other rockfish," "Retain on board," "Shallow water flatfish," and "Western Gulf or GOA Western Regulatory Area" are added, in alphabetical order to read as follows:

§ 679.2 Definitions.

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Ancillary product means a product, such as meal, heads, internal organs, pectoral girdles, or any other product that may be made from the same fish as the primary product.

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Bled codend means a form of discard by vessels using trawl gear wherein

some or all of the fish are emptied into the sea from the net before fish are brought fully on board.

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C. Opilio Crab Bycatch Limitation Zone (COBLZ) (see Figure 13 of this part and § 679.21(e)).

Catch (See § 600.10.)

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Central Gulf or GOA Central Regulatory Area means that portion of the GOA EEZ that is contained in Statistical Areas 620 and 630 (see Figure 3 of this part).

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Deep water flatfish (See annual final specifications published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to § 679.20(c)).

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Discard (See § 600.10.)

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Eastern Gulf or GOA Eastern Regulatory Area means the Reporting Areas 649 and 659 and that portion of the GOA EEZ that is contained in Statistical Areas 640 and 650 (see Figure 3 of this part).

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Groundfish product or fish product means any species product listed in Tables 1 and 2 of this part, excluding the prohibited species listed in Table 2 of this part.

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Manager, with respect to any shoreside processor or land-based buying station, means the individual responsible for the operation of the shoreside processor or land-based buying station.

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Other flatfish (See annual final specifications published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to § 679.20(c).)

Other red rockfish (See annual final specifications published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to § 679.20(c).)

Other rockfish (See annual final specifications published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to § 679.20(c).)

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Reporting area (see Figures 1 and 3 of this part) means: (1) An area that includes a statistical area of the EEZ off Alaska and any adjacent waters of the State of Alaska; (2) the reporting areas 300, 400, 550, and 690, which do not contain EEZ waters off Alaska or Alaska state waters; or (3) reporting areas 649 and 659, which contain only waters of the State of Alaska.

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Retain on board (See §§ 600.10 and 679.27.)

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Shallow water flatfish (See annual final specifications published in the

Federal Register pursuant to § 679.20(c).

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Transfer includes any loading, offloading, shipment or receipt of any groundfish product after initial delivery from a catcher vessel, including quantities transferred inside or outside the EEZ, within any state's territorial waters, within the internal waters of any state, at any shoreside processor, or any offsite meal reduction plant.

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Western Gulf or GOA Western Regulatory Area means that portion of the GOA EEZ that is contained in Statistical Area 610 (see Figure 3 of this part).

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3. In § 679.3, paragraph (b) is revised to read as follows:

§ 679.3 Relation to other laws.

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(b) *Domestic fishing for groundfish.* (1) The conservation and management of groundfish in waters of the territorial sea and internal waters of the State of Alaska are governed by the Alaska Administrative Code at 5 AAC Chapter 28 and the Alaska Statutes at Title 16.

(2) Alaska Administrative Code (5 AAC 39.130) governs reporting and permitting requirements using ADF&G "Intent to Operate" and "Fish Tickets."

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4. In § 679.4, paragraph (f)(1) is amended by removing the "s" from the word "States" that follows the word "Alaska;" and paragraphs (i) and (j) are added to read as follows:

§ 679.4 Permits.

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(i) *Experimental fisheries permits.* (See § 679.6.)

(j) *Salmon donation program permits.* (See § 679.26(a)(3).)

5. Section 679.5 is amended to read as follows by:

(a) Revising paragraph (a)(1) introductory text and the first sentence of paragraph (a)(1)(ii); and by adding paragraph (a)(1)(iv).

(b) Revising paragraph (a)(3).

(c) Revising paragraph (a)(5)(ii) and by adding paragraphs (a)(5) (vii) and (viii).

(d) Revising paragraphs (a)(6)(ii) and (a)(6)(iii)(B); and by adding paragraph (a)(6)(iii)(I).

(e) Adding paragraphs (a)(7)(vii) through (ix); and by revising paragraphs (a)(7)(ii), (a)(7)(v) (A) through (D), (a)(7)(v)(F), and (a)(7)(vi).

(f) Revising paragraphs (a)(8)(i) and (a)(8)(ii)(B); and by removing paragraph (a)(8)(iii).

(g) Revising paragraph (a)(9)(i); redesignating paragraph (a)(9)(iii) as

(a)(9)(v) and revising it; and by adding paragraphs (a)(9) (iii) and (iv).

(h) Revising paragraphs (a)(10)(i) introductory text, (a)(10)(i)(A), (a)(10)(ii), (a)(10)(iii)(B), (a)(10)(iv), (a)(10)(v)(A) and by adding paragraphs (a)(10)(i)(C).

(i) Revising paragraph (a)(14)(i)(A).

(j) Revising paragraph (a)(15)(i) heading.

(k) Revising paragraph (a)(16)(ii).

(l) Revising paragraphs (c)(2) (i) and (ii); and by removing paragraphs (c)(2) (iii) through (vi).

(m) Revising paragraph (c)(3); and by adding paragraphs (c)(4) and (c)(5).

(n) Removing paragraphs (d)(2)(i) (A) through (G) and (d)(2)(iii); revising paragraph (d)(1), (d)(2)(i), (d)(2)(ii) heading, (d)(2)(ii) (A), (B), (D), and (E).

(o) Removing paragraphs (e)(2) (i), (iii), and (iv); by redesignating paragraphs (e)(2)(ii) introductory text and (e)(2)(ii)(A) through (e)(2)(ii)(E) as paragraphs (e)(2) introductory text, and (e)(2)(i) through (e)(2)(v), respectively; by revising paragraphs (e)(1), newly redesignated paragraph (e)(2) introductory text; and by adding paragraph (e)(2)(vi).

(p) Removing paragraphs (f)(2) (i), (iii), (iv), and (v), by redesignating paragraphs (f)(2)(ii) introductory text as paragraph (f)(2)(i) introductory text; by revising paragraphs (f)(i) and newly redesignated (f)(2)(i); and by adding paragraphs (f)(2)(i)(G) and (f)(2)(ii).

(q) Revising paragraph (g)(1)(ii), adding a sentence to the end of paragraph (g)(1)(iii), revising paragraph (g)(2)(ii), adding headings to paragraphs (g)(3)(ii) (A), (B), and (C), revising paragraph (g)(3)(ii)(E)(1), revising the heading to paragraph (g)(3)(ii)(E)(2); and revising paragraphs (g)(3)(ii)(E)(2) (i), and (iii).

(r) Revising paragraphs (h)(2)(i) (A) and (B), and (h)(2)(ii) (A) through (D); redesignating paragraph (h)(3)(iv) as (h)(3)(iii) and revising it; and adding paragraph (h)(3) introductory text; and revising paragraphs (h)(3)(i) and (h)(3)(ii).

(s) Revising paragraphs (i)(3) (i), (ii) and (v).

(t) Adding paragraph (j)(4) introductory text; by removing paragraph (j)(4)(i); and by redesignating paragraphs (j)(4) (ii) through (iv) as paragraphs (j)(4)(i) through (j)(4)(iii) and revising them.

(u) Adding a new paragraph (m).

§ 679.5 Recordkeeping and reporting.

(a) * * *

(1) * * * Except as provided in paragraphs (a)(1) (iii) and (iv) of this section, the following participants must

comply with the recordkeeping and reporting requirements of this section:

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(ii) Any shoreside processor, mothership, or buying station that receives groundfish from vessels issued a Federal fisheries permit under § 679.4.

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(iv) *Exemption for groundfish used as crab bait.* (A) Owners or operators of catcher vessels who take groundfish in crab pot gear for use as crab bait on board their vessels while participating in an open season for crab, and the bait is neither transferred nor sold, are exempt from Federal recordkeeping and reporting requirements contained in paragraphs (a) through (j) of this section.

(B) This exemption does not apply to fishermen who:

(1) Catch groundfish for bait during an open crab season and sell that groundfish or transfer it to another vessel, or

(2) Participate in a directed fishery for groundfish using any gear type during periods that are outside an open crab season for use as crab bait on board their vessel.

(C) No groundfish species listed by NMFS as "prohibited" in a management or regulatory area may be taken in that area for use as bait.

(D) Any fishing with pot gear in the crab fisheries is subject to restrictions under Alaska State regulations.

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(3) *Responsibility.* (i) The operator of a catcher vessel, catcher/processor, mothership, or buying station receiving from a catcher vessel and delivering to a mothership (hereafter referred to as the operator) and the manager of a shoreside processor or buying station receiving from a catcher vessel and delivering to a shoreside processor (hereafter referred to as the manager) are each responsible for complying with the applicable recordkeeping and reporting requirements of this section.

(ii) The owner of a vessel, shoreside processor, or buying station must ensure that the operator, manager, or representative (see paragraph (b) of this section) complies with these requirements and is responsible for compliance.

(iii) The signature of the owner, operator, or manager on the DFL, DCL, or DCPL is verification of acceptance of this responsibility.

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(ii) If a catcher vessel, the Federal fisheries permit number and ADF&G vessel number.

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(vii) If a mothership or catcher/processor, the ADF&G processor code and Federal fisheries permit number.

(viii) Signature of owner, operator, or manager.

(6) * * *

(ii) The operator or manager must account for each day of the fishing year in the logbook, starting with January 1 and ending with December 31. Time periods must be consecutive in the logbook.

(iii) * * *

(B) *Date*, presented as month-day-year. (1) If a catcher vessel, and the logsheet contains more than one day in the "catch" section, enter date of first day recorded on logsheet.

(2) If a catcher vessel, enter date of each day in the discard/donate section of the DFL.

(3) If a shoreside processor, enter the week-ending date for the page.

(4) If a shoreside processor, enter date of each day of the week in the landings and discard/donate sections of the DCPL.

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(I) *Processor type*. If a mothership or catcher/processor, enter processor type.

(7) * * *

(ii) (A) If a mothership, catcher/processor, or buying station, use a separate logbook page for each day of an active period.

(B) If a catcher vessel, use a separate logbook page for each day or use one logbook page for up to 7 days.

(C) If a shoreside processor, use a separate logbook page for each day or use one logbook page for up to 7 days.

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(v) * * *

(A) The gear type used to harvest the groundfish.

(1) If a catcher vessel or catcher/processor and using hook-and-line gear, the average number of hooks per skate.

(2) If shipment is received by a mothership or shoreside processor from a different processor through the use of a PTR, circle PTR TRANSFER.

(3) If gear type is not an authorized fishing gear, circle OTHER.

(4) If groundfish are received by a mothership in the same reporting area from more than one gear type, the operator must use a separate page in the DCPL for each gear type and must submit a separate check-in/check-out report, DPR (if required), and WPR for each gear type.

(5) If groundfish are caught by a catcher/processor in the same reporting area using more than one gear type, the operator must use a separate page in the DCPL for each gear type and must submit a separate check-in/check-out

report, DPR (if required), and WPR for each gear type.

(B) The reporting area code where gear retrieval was completed.

(1) If a catcher vessel or catcher/processor using trawl gear, record whether catch was harvested in the COBLZ or RKCSA. Use a separate page in the DFL or DCPL for the COBLZ or RKCSA area.

(2) If a catcher/processor using trawl gear, the operator must submit a separate check-in/check-out report for the COBLZ or RKCSA area.

(C) The number of observers aboard or on site.

(D) Except for a shoreside processor, the number of crew, excluding certified observer(s), on the last day of the reporting week.

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(F) If a catcher vessel or buying station, the name and ADF&G processor code of the mothership or shoreside processor to which groundfish deliveries were made.

(vi) If a catcher vessel, in an active period, and not harvesting or discarding groundfish, the operator must record "ACTIVE, NOT FISHING" and briefly describe the reason.

(vii) If a catcher/processor, in an active period, and not harvesting, discarding, or processing groundfish, the operator must record "ACTIVE, NOT FISHING" and briefly describe the reason.

(viii) If a mothership or shoreside processor, in an active period, and not receiving, discarding, or processing groundfish, the operator or manager must record "NO RECEIVING OR PROCESSING ACTIVITY" and briefly describe the reason.

(ix) If a buying station, in an active period, and not receiving, discarding, or delivering groundfish, the operator or manager must record "NO RECEIVING OR DELIVERING ACTIVITY" and briefly describe the reason.

(8) * * *

(i) Record and report groundfish landings by species codes and product codes as defined in Tables 1 and 2 of this part for each reporting area, gear type, and CDQ number. If caught with trawl gear, record whether catch was harvested in the COBLZ or RKCSA.

(ii) * * *

(B) At the end of each weekly reporting period, enter for each species/product code, the cumulative total scale weight of landings for that week.

(9) * * *

(i) Record and report groundfish products by species codes, product codes, and product designations as defined in Tables 1 and 2 of this part for

each reporting area, gear type, and CDQ number. If caught with trawl gear, record whether catch was harvested in the COBLZ or RKCSA.

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(iii) At the end of each weekly reporting period, the cumulative total weight, calculated by adding the daily totals and total carried forward (except for a Shoreside Processor DCPL) for that week.

(iv) At the beginning of each weekly reporting period, the amount is zero, and nothing shall be carried forward from the previous weekly reporting period.

(v) If no production occurred, record "NO PRODUCTION" for that day.

(10) *Discarded or donated species information*—(i) *General*.

(A) The operator or manager must record and report discards or donations by species codes and discard product codes as defined in Tables 1 and 2 of this part for each gear type, CDQ number, and reporting area. If caught with trawl gear, record whether catch was harvested in the COBLZ or RKCSA.

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(C) The operator or manager must record and report discards or donations as follows:

(1) The date of discard, estimated daily total, balance brought forward (except for a Shoreside Processor DCPL), and cumulative total estimated round fish weight for each discard or donation of groundfish species, groundfish species groups, and Pacific herring in lb, or to at least the nearest 0.001 mt.

(2) The date of discard, estimated daily total, balance brought forward (except for a Shoreside Processor DCPL), and cumulative total estimated numbers for each discard or donation of Pacific salmon, steelhead trout, halibut, king crab, and Tanner crab.

(3) At the end of each weekly reporting period, the cumulative total weight, calculated by adding the daily totals and total carried forward (except for a Shoreside Processor DCPL) for that week.

(4) At the beginning of each weekly reporting period, the amount is zero, and nothing shall be carried forward from the previous weekly reporting period.

(ii) *Catcher vessel discards or donations*. (A) The operator must record in the DFL discards or donations as described in paragraph (a)(10)(i) of this section.

(B) If deliveries to a mothership or shoreside processor are unsorted codends, the catcher vessel is exempt from recording discards in the DFL and from submittal of the blue logsheet

(discards copy) for that delivery. The operator must check the box entitled "unsorted codend," and the blue DFL logsheet (discards copy) may remain in the DFL.

(C) Except as provided at § 679.27(d), in the event a catcher vessel has "bled" a codend prior to delivery to a processor or buying station or if the deliveries of a catcher vessel to a processor or buying station are presorted at sea, the operator must check the "presorted delivery" box, enter the estimated amount of discards or donations by species, and submit with each harvest delivery the blue DFL logsheet (discards copy) to the mothership, buying station, or shoreside processor.

(iii) *Buying station discards or donations.* * * *

(B) The operator or manager must record in the DCL discards or donations as described in paragraph (a)(10)(i) of this section.

(C) * * *

(iv) *Catcher/processor discards or donations.* The operator of a catcher/processor must record in the DCPL all discards or donations as described in paragraph (a)(10)(i) of this section.

(v) *Mothership or shoreside processor discards or donations.*

(A) The operator of a mothership or manager of a shoreside processor must record in the DCPL discards or donations as described in paragraph (a)(10)(i) of this section that:

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(14) * * *

(i) * * *

(A) The operator of a catcher vessel, catcher/processor, or mothership, or the manager of a shoreside processor must submit the yellow logsheets on a quarterly basis to the NMFS Office of Enforcement, Alaska Region Logbook Program, P.O. Box 21767, Juneau, AK 99802-1767, as follows: First quarter, by May 1 of that fishing year; second quarter, by August 1 of that fishing year; third quarter, by November 1 of that fishing year; and fourth quarter, by February 1 of the following fishing year.

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(i) *Logbooks and forms.*

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(16) * * *

(ii) The operator or manager of a buying station must submit upon delivery of catch the yellow DCL logsheets to the shoreside processor or mothership to which it delivers groundfish, along with the blue DFL logsheets and ADF&G fish tickets for that delivery.

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(c) * * *

(2) * * *

(i) *Catcher vessel.* The operator of a catcher vessel must record in the DFL:

(A) The time, position, and estimated groundfish catch weight within 2 hours after gear retrieval.

(B) Discard or donation information as described at paragraph (a)(10) of this section each day on the day they occur; all other information required in the DFL by noon of the day following gear retrieval.

(C) Notwithstanding other time limits, record all information required in the DFL within 2 hours after the vessel's catch is offloaded.

(D) Except as provided at paragraph (a)(10)(ii)(B) of this section, within 2 hours of completion of catch delivery information, submit the blue DFL logsheets with delivery of the harvest to the operator of a mothership or a buying station delivering to a mothership, or to the manager of a shoreside processor or buying station delivering to a shoreside processor.

(ii) *Catcher/processor.* The operator of a catcher/processor must record in the DCPL, for each haul or set:

(A) The time, position, and estimated groundfish catch weight within 2 hours after gear retrieval.

(B) Product and discard or donation information as described at paragraphs (a)(9) and (a)(10) of this section each day on the day they occur; all other information required in the DCPL by noon of the day following completion of production.

(C) Notwithstanding other time limits, record all information required in the DCPL within 2 hours after the vessel's catch is offloaded.

(3) *Haul/set information.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher vessel or catcher/processor must record the following information for each haul or set:

(i) The number of haul or set, by sequence by year;

(ii) If the vessel is using hook-and-line gear, the number of skates set. If the vessel is using longline pot or single pot gear, the total number of pots set;

(iii) The date (month-day-year), begin time (to the nearest hour) and position coordinates (to the nearest minute) of gear deployment;

(iv) The date (month-day-year), end time (to the nearest hour), and position coordinates (to the nearest minute) of gear retrieval;

(v) The average sea depth and average gear depth, recorded to the nearest meter or fathom;

(vi) The estimated total round catch weight of the groundfish catch in pounds or to the nearest mt. If fishing

in IFQ halibut fishery, enter the estimated total weight of groundfish bycatch;

(vii) The round catch weight of pollock and Pacific cod;

(viii) If fishing in an IFQ fishery, the estimated round catch weight of IFQ sablefish;

(ix) If fishing in an IFQ fishery, the round catch weight of rockfish and Pacific cod; and

(x) When fishing in an IFQ fishery and the fishery for Pacific cod or rockfish is closed to directed fishing in that reporting area as described in § 679.20, the operator must record up to and including the maximum retainable bycatch amount for Pacific cod or rockfish as defined in Table 10 or 11 of this part; quantities over this amount must be recorded in the discard or donation section.

(4) *Catcher vessel delivery information.* The operator of a catcher vessel must record:

(i) The date of delivery.

(ii) The name, ADF&G processor code, and ADF&G fish ticket number(s) provided by the operator of the mothership or buying station delivering to a mothership, or the manager of a shoreside processor or buying station delivering to a shoreside processor.

(5) *IFQ data.* The operator of a catcher vessel or catcher/processor must record IFQ information as follows:

(i) Check YES or NO to record if persons aboard have authorized IFQ permits.

(ii) If YES, record the following:

(A) Vessel operator's (captain's) name and IFQ permit number, if any.

(B) The name of each IFQ holder aboard the vessel and each holder's IFQ permit number.

(C) Month and day of landing.

(D) Name of registered buyer.

(E) Name of unloading port.

(d) * * *

(1) *Time limits.* The operator or manager of the buying station must:

(i) Record entries in the DCL as to catcher vessel delivery information within 2 hours after completion of receipt of each groundfish delivery.

(ii) Record discard or donation information required in the DCL as described at paragraph (a)(10) of this section each day on the day they occur; and all other information required in the DCL by noon of the day following the day the receipt of groundfish was completed.

(2) * * *

(i) *General.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator or manager of a buying station must record on each page the name and

ADF&G processor code of the mothership or shoreside processor to which groundfish deliveries were made.

(ii) *Delivery information.* * * *

(A) The ADF&G fish ticket number issued to each catcher vessel delivering groundfish.

(B) Whether blue DFL logsheets were submitted by catcher vessel. If not received, record after the response "NO" either "P" to indicate the catcher vessel does not have a Federal fisheries permit; "L" to indicate the catcher vessel is under 60 ft length overall; or "U" to indicate the catcher vessel delivered an unsorted codend. If a catcher vessel is under 60 ft LOA and also does not have a Federal fisheries permit, record "P".

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(D) The name and ADF&G vessel number of the catcher vessel delivering the groundfish.

(E) The estimated total groundfish delivery weight.

(e) * * *

(1) *Time limits.* The operator of a mothership must record:

(i) "Delivery information" in the DCPL within 2 hours after receipt of each groundfish delivery.

(ii) Product and discard or donation information as described at paragraphs (a)(9) and (a)(10) of this section each day on the day they occur; all other information required in the DCPL by noon of the day following the day of production completion.

(2) *Delivery information.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a mothership must record for each delivery:

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(v) The ADF&G fish ticket number issued to each catcher vessel delivering groundfish.

(vi) Whether blue DFL logsheets were submitted by catcher vessel. If not received, record after the response "NO" either "P" to indicate the catcher vessel does not have a Federal fisheries permit; "L" to indicate the catcher vessel is under 60 ft length overall; or "U" to indicate the catcher vessel delivered an unsorted codend. If a catcher vessel is under 60 ft LOA and also does not have a Federal fisheries permit, record "P".

(f) * * *

(1) *Time limits.* The manager of each shoreside processor must record in the DCPL:

(i) All catcher vessel or buying station delivery information within 2 hours after completion of receipt of each groundfish delivery.

(ii) Landings, product, and discard or donation information as described at

paragraphs (a)(8), (a)(9), and (a)(10) of this section each day on the day they occur; all other information required in the DCPL by noon of the day following the day of production completion.

(2) * * *

(i) *Delivery information, Part IB.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the manager of a shoreside processor must record the following information for each delivery:

(A) Date and time when receipt of groundfish catch was completed.

(B) Whether delivery is from a catcher vessel or buying station.

(C) Whether blue DFL logsheets were submitted by a catcher vessel. If not received, record after the response "NO" either "P" to indicate the catcher vessel does not have a Federal fisheries permit; "L" to indicate the catcher vessel is under 60 ft length overall; or "U" to indicate the catcher vessel delivered an unsorted codend. If a catcher vessel is under 60 ft LOA and also does not have a Federal fisheries permit, record "P."

(D) The name and ADF&G vessel number (if applicable) of the catcher vessel or buying station delivering the groundfish.

(E) The estimated total catch receipt weight in pounds or to the nearest mt.

(F) The ADF&G fish ticket number issued to the catcher vessel delivering groundfish.

(G) If Shoreside Processor is located in a state other than Alaska, the manager must record the fish ticket number issued through that state. If a state fish ticket system is unavailable, the manager must record the catch receipt number.

(ii) *Production information, Part II.* The manager of a shoreside processor must comply with requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section and also enter the management area (BSAI or GOA) on each section of the Part II logsheet.

(g) * * *

(1) * * *

(ii) The manager of a shoreside processor must report on a PTR those fish products that are subsequently transferred to any offsite facility for reduction to fish meal, fish oil, and/or discard at sea.

(iii) * * * If bait sales are aggregated for a given day, the transfer start time is the time of the first bait sale; the transfer finish time is the time of the last bait sale.

(2) * * *

(ii) Submit by fax a copy of each PTR to the NMFS Alaska Enforcement Division by 1200 hours, A.l.t., on the Tuesday following the end of the applicable weekly reporting period.

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(ii) * * *

(A) *Other vessel.* * * *

(B) *Port.* * * *

(C) *Agent.* * * *

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(E) * * *

(1) *Start.* The date and time, as described in paragraph (a)(6)(iii) of this section, the transfer starts.

(2) *Finish.* * * *

(ii) If shipment involves multiple vans or trucks, the date and time when the last van or truck leaves the plant.

(iii) If shipment involves airline flights, record date and time, as described in paragraph (a)(6)(iii) of this section, when the last airline flight shipment of the day leaves the plant.

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(h) * * *

(2) * * *

(i) * * *

(A) * * *

(1) *Using hook-and-line or pot gear.*

(i) Before the operator of a catcher/processor using hook-and-line or pot gear sets gear for groundfish in any reporting area except 300, 400, 550, or 690, the operator must submit by fax a check-in report (BEGIN message) to the Regional Administrator.

(ii) The operator of a catcher/processor using hook-and-line or pot gear may be checked-in to more than one area simultaneously.

(2) *Using other than hook-and-line or pot gear.*

(i) Before the operator of a catcher/processor using other than hook-and-line or pot gear commences fishing for groundfish in any reporting area except 300, 400, 550, or 690, the operator must submit by fax a check-in report (BEGIN message) to the Regional Administrator.

(ii) The operator of a catcher/processor using other than hook-and-line or pot gear may be checked-in to only one area at a time.

(B) *Mothership, shoreside processor, buying station*—(i) Before a mothership, shoreside processor, or buying station commences receipt of groundfish from any reporting area except 300, 400, 550, or 690, the operator or manager must submit by fax a check-in report (BEGIN message) to the Regional Administrator.

(ii) The operator of a mothership may be checked into more than one area simultaneously.

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(ii) * * *

(A) *Catcher/processor.*

(1) *Using hook-and-line or pot gear.*

(i) If a catcher/processor using hook-and-line or pot gear departs a reporting area and gear retrieval is complete from that area, the operator must submit by

fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after departing a reporting area.

(ii) If a catcher/processor using hook-and-line or pot gear is checked-in to multiple reporting areas, the operator must submit by fax a check-out report for each reporting area.

(2) *Using other than hook-and-line or pot gear.* If a catcher/processor using other than hook-and-line or pot gear departs a reporting area, the operator must submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after departing a reporting area but prior to checking-in another reporting area.

(B) *Mothership or buying station delivering to a mothership*—(i) If a mothership or buying station delivering to a mothership completes receipt of groundfish, the operator must submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after departing a reporting area.

(ii) If a mothership is checked-in to multiple reporting areas, the operator must submit by fax a check-out report for each reporting area.

(C) *Shoreside processor.* If a shoreside processor, the manager:

(1) Must submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator within 48 hours after the end of the applicable weekly reporting period that a shoreside processor ceases to process groundfish for the fishing year.

(2) May submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator when receipt or processing of groundfish is temporarily halted during the fishing year for a period of at least two weekly reporting periods.

(D) *Buying station delivering to a shoreside processor.*

(1) If a land-based buying station delivering to a shoreside processor, the manager:

(i) Must submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator within 24 hours after delivery of groundfish ceases for the fishing year.

(ii) May submit by fax a check-out report to the Regional Administrator when receipt of groundfish is temporarily halted during the fishing year for a period of at least two weekly reporting periods.

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(3) *General information.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher/processor, mothership, or buying station delivering to a mothership or the manager of a shoreside processor or buying station delivering to a shoreside processor must record:

(i) *BEGIN message*—(A) *Mothership.*

(1) Date and time that receipt of groundfish begins.

(2) Position coordinates where groundfish receipt begins.

(3) Reporting area code where groundfish receipt begins and whether mothership is receiving groundfish in the COBLZ or RKCSA area.

(4) Primary and secondary species expected to be received next week. A change in intended target species within the same reporting area does not require a new BEGIN message.

(B) *Catcher/processor.* (1) Date and time that gear is deployed.

(2) Position coordinates where gear is set.

(3) Reporting area code of gear deployment begins and whether catcher/processor is located in the COBLZ or RKCSA area.

(4) Primary and secondary species expected to be harvested next week. A change in intended target species within the same reporting area does not require a new BEGIN message.

(C) *Shoreside processor.* (1) Date the facility will begin to receive groundfish.

(2) Whether checking in for the first time at the beginning of the fishing year or checking in to restart receipt and processing of groundfish after filing a check-out report.

(D) *Buying station.* (1) If delivering to a mothership, reporting area code where groundfish receipt begins.

(2) Date facility will begin to receive groundfish.

(3) Whether checking in at the beginning of the fishing year or checking in to restart after filing a check-out report.

(4) Intended primary target species expected to be received next week. A change in intended target species within the same reporting area does not require a new BEGIN message.

(ii) *CEASE message*—(A) *Mothership.* Date, time and position coordinates where the last receipt of groundfish was made.

(B) *Catcher/processor.* Date, time and position coordinates where the vessel departed the reporting area.

(C) *Shoreside processor.* Date that receipt of groundfish ceased.

(D) *Buying station.* (1) If delivering to a mothership, date, time and position coordinates where the vessel departed the reporting area.

(2) If delivering to a shoreside processor, date that receipt of groundfish ceased.

(iii) *Fish or fish product held at plant.* The manager of a shoreside processor must report the weight of all fish or fish products held at the plant in pounds or to the nearest 0.001 mt by species and

product codes on each check-in report and on each check-out report.

(i) * * *

(3) * * *

(i) *General.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher/processor or mothership, or manager of a shoreside processor must record the date the WPR was completed and the primary and secondary target codes for next week.

(ii) *Landings information.* The manager of a shoreside processor must report landings information as described in paragraph (a)(8) of this section, except that each groundfish landing must be reported only in metric tons to at least the nearest 0.001 mt.

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(v) *Catcher vessel delivery information.* The operator of a mothership or manager of a shoreside processor must list the ADF&G fish ticket numbers issued to catcher vessels for the weekly reporting period, including the fish ticket numbers issued by an associated buying station.

(j) * * *

(4) *Information required.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a catcher/processor or mothership, or manager of a shoreside processor must record on each page:

(i) *Landings information.* The manager of a shoreside processor must report landings information as described in paragraph (a)(8) of this section, except that each groundfish landing must be reported only in metric tons to at least the nearest 0.001 mt.

(ii) *Product information.* The operator of a mothership or catcher/processor must report product information as described in paragraph (a)(9) of this section, except that each groundfish product must be reported only in metric tons to at least the nearest 0.001 mt.

(iii) *Discard or donation information.* The operator of a mothership or catcher/processor or the manager of a shoreside processor must report discarded or donated species information as described in paragraph (a)(10) of this section, except that each groundfish or herring discard or donation must be reported only in metric tons to at least the nearest 0.001 mt.

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(m) *Consolidated weekly ADF&G fish tickets from motherships.*

(1) *Requirement.* In addition to requirements described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the operator of a mothership must ensure that the combined catch for each catcher vessel is summarized at the end of each weekly

reporting period by species on a minimum of one ADF&G groundfish fish ticket when the mothership receives any groundfish from a catcher vessel which is issued a Federal fisheries permit under § 679.4. (An ADF&G fish ticket is further described at Alaska Administrative Code, 5 AAC Chapter 39.130) (see § 679.3).

(2) *Information required.*

(i) The operator of a mothership must ensure that the following information is imprinted or written legibly on the consolidated weekly ADF&G fish ticket from the catcher vessel operator's CFEC permit card in order to describe the CFEC permit holder:

(A) *Vessel name.* Name of the catcher vessel delivering the groundfish.

(B) *Name.* Name of permit holder.

(C) *Permit number.* CFEC permit number.

(D) *ADF&G No.* ADF&G catcher vessel number.

(ii) The operator of a mothership must ensure that the following information is imprinted or written legibly on the consolidated weekly ADF&G fish ticket from the mothership's CFEC processor plate card in order to describe the mothership:

(A) *Proc. Code.* ADF&G processor code of mothership.

(B) *Company.* Identification of mothership.

(iii) The operator of a mothership must record on the consolidated weekly ADF&G groundfish fish ticket the following information obtained from the catcher vessel operator:

(A) *ADF&G No.* The ADF&G number of the catcher vessel delivering fish to the mothership, if the catcher vessel is different from the vessel identified in the CFEC permit card.

(B) *Date landed.* The week-ending date of the week during which the mothership received the groundfish from the catcher vessel.

(D) *Port of landing or vessel transshipped to.* "FLD," a code which means floating processor.

(E) *Type of gear used.* Write in one of the following gear types used by the catcher vessel to harvest groundfish received:

(1) Hook and line.

(2) Pot.

(3) Nonpelagic trawl.

(4) Pelagic trawl.

(5) Jig/troll.

(6) Other.

(iv) The operator of a mothership is responsible for ensuring that the following information is recorded on an ADF&G fish ticket for each catcher vessel:

(A) *Code.* Species code for each species from Table 2 to this part, except

do not use species codes 144, 168, 169, or 171.

(C) *Stat Area.* ADF&G 6-digit statistical area in which groundfish were harvested. These statistical areas are defined in a set of charts which may be obtained at no charge from Alaska Commercial Fisheries Management & Development Division, Department of Fish and Game, 211 Mission Road, Kodiak, Alaska 99615-6399.

(D) *Condition Code.* The product code from Table 1 to this part which describes the condition of the fish received by the mothership from the catcher vessel. In most cases, this will be product code 1, whole fish.

(E) *Pounds.* The landed weight of each species to the nearest pound.

(F) *Permit holder's signature.* The signature of the catcher vessel permit holder.

(G) *Fish received by.* The signature of the mothership operator.

(3) *Time limit and submittal.*

(i) The operator of a mothership must complete the consolidated weekly ADF&G groundfish fish ticket for each catcher vessel by 1200 hours, A.l.t., on Tuesday following the end of the applicable weekly reporting period.

(ii) The operator of a mothership must submit the consolidated weekly ADF&G groundfish tickets to Alaska Commercial Fisheries Management & Development Division, Department of Fish and Game, 211 Mission Road, Kodiak, Alaska 99615-6399, within 30 days after landings are received.

6. In § 679.7, paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) are revised; the heading of paragraph (a)(5) is revised; and paragraphs (a)(15) and (a)(16) are added to read as follows:

§ 679.7 Prohibitions.

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(a) * * *

(1) *Federal fisheries permit.* Fish for groundfish in the GOA or BSAI with a vessel of the United States that does not have on board a valid Federal fisheries permit issued pursuant to § 679.4.

(2) *Inseason action or adjustment.* Conduct any fishing contrary to notification of inseason action or adjustment issued under § 679.20, § 679.21, or § 679.25.

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(5) *Prohibited species bycatch rate standard.* * * *

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(15) *Federal Processor Permit.* Receive or process groundfish harvested in the GOA or BSAI by a shoreside processor or vessel of the United States operating solely as a mothership in Alaska State waters that does not have on site a valid

Federal processor permit issued pursuant to § 679.4(f).

(16) *Retention of groundfish bycatch species.* Exceed the maximum retainable groundfish bycatch amount established under § 679.20(e).

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7. In § 679.20, paragraphs (d)(1)(ii)(A), (g)(2)(iii), and (g)(3) introductory text are revised to read as follows:

§ 679.20 General limitations.

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(d) * * *

(1) * * *

(ii) * * *

(A) *Inseason adjustments.* The category allocations or apportionments established under paragraph (c) of this section may be revised by inseason adjustments, as defined at § 679.25, for a given species or species group or pollock allowance, as identified by regulatory area, subarea, or district, and, if applicable, as further identified by gear type.

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(g) * * *

(2) * * *

(iii) The primary pollock product must be distinguished from ancillary pollock products in the DCPL required under § 679.5(a)(9).

(3) *Pollock product recovery rates (PRRs).* Use the product types and standard PRRs for pollock found in Table 3 of this part to calculate round-weight equivalents for pollock for purposes of this paragraph (g).

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8. In § 679.21, as proposed to be amended at 62 FR 43307, (August 13, 1997) paragraphs (e)(7)(iv)(B), (e)(7)(vii)(B), and (e)(7)(viii)(B) are removed; and paragraphs (e)(7)(iv)(A), (e)(7)(vii)(A) and, (e)(7)(viii)(A) are redesignated as paragraph (e)(7)(iv), (e)(7)(vii) and (e)(7)(viii) respectively, and revised to read as follows:

§ 679.21 Prohibited species bycatch management.

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(e) * * *

(7) * * *

(iv) *COBLZ.* Except as provided in paragraph (e)(7)(i) of this section, if, during the fishing year, the Regional Administrator determines that U.S. fishing vessels participating in any of the trawl fishery categories listed in paragraphs (e)(3)(iv)(B) through (F) of this section will catch the COBLZ bycatch allowance, or seasonal apportionment thereof, of *C. Opilio* specified for that fishery category under paragraph (e)(3) of this section, NMFS will publish in the **Federal Register** the closure of the COBLZ, as defined in

Figure 13 of this part, to directed fishing for each species and/or species group in that fishery category for the remainder of the year or for the remainder of the season.

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(vii) *Chum salmon*. If the Regional Administrator determines that 42,000 non-chinook salmon have been caught by vessels using trawl gear during August 15 through October 14 in the CVOA defined under § 679.22(a)(5) and in Figure 2 of this part, NMFS will prohibit fishing with trawl gear for the remainder of the period September 1 through October 14 in the Chum Salmon Savings Area as defined in Figure 9 of this part.

(viii) *Chinook salmon*. When the Regional Administrator determines that 48,000 chinook salmon have been caught by vessels using trawl gear in the BSAI during the time period from January 1 through April 15, NMFS will prohibit fishing with trawl gear for the remainder of that period within the Chinook Salmon Savings Area defined in Figure 8 of this part.

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9. Section 679.22 is amended to read as follows by: Revising paragraphs (a)(3), (a)(6), and (a)(9); by amending the cross-reference in paragraphs (a)(7)(ii), (a)(8)(ii), and (b)(2)(ii) from “§ 679.20” to read “§ 679.20(d)”; and by adding a heading to paragraph (a)(10).

§ 679.22 Closures.

(a) * * *

(3) *Red King Crab Savings Area (RKCSA)*. Directed fishing for groundfish by vessels using trawl gear other than pelagic trawl gear is prohibited at all times, except as provided at § 679.21(e)(3)(ii)(B), in that

part of the Bering Sea subarea defined as RKCSA in Figure 11 of this part.

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(6) *Pribilof Island Area Habitat Conservation Zone*. Trawling is prohibited at all times in the area defined in Figure 10 of this part as Pribilof Island Area Habitat Conservation Zone.

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(9) *Nearshore Bristol Bay Trawl Closure*. Directed fishing for groundfish by vessels using trawl gear in Bristol Bay, as described in the current edition of NOAA chart 16006, is closed at all times in the area east of 162°00' W. long., except that the Nearshore Bristol Bay Trawl Area defined in Figure 12 is open to trawling from 1200 hours A.l.t., April 1 to 1200 hours A.l.t., June 15 of each year.

(10) *Chum Salmon Savings Area*.

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10. Section 679.23 is amended to read as follows by: Revising the headings of paragraphs (a), (d), and (e), and by revising the term “Western Alaska Community Development Quota” and replacing it with “CDQ” in paragraphs (e)(2)(ii)(C) and (D).

§ 679.23 Seasons.

(a) *Groundfish, general*. * * *

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(d) *GOA groundfish seasons*. * * *

(e) *BSAI groundfish seasons*. * * *

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(g) * * *

(3) Catches of sablefish in excess of the maximum retainable bycatch amounts and catches made without IFQ must be treated in the same manner as prohibited species as defined at § 679.21(b).

11. Section 679.41 is amended by adding headings to paragraphs (e)(1) through (3) to read as follows:

§ 679.41 Transfer of quota shares and IFQ.

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(e) * * *

(1) *General*. * * *

(2) *Sablefish*. * * *

(3) *Halibut*. * * *

12. Section 679.42, is amended by adding a new heading to paragraph (c)(2)(i); by revising paragraph (c)(2)(ii); and by adding headings to paragraphs (c)(2)(i) and (c)(2)(ii) to read as follows:

§ 679.42 Limitations on use of QS and IFQ.

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(c) * * *

(2) * * *

(i) *Sablefish product*. * * *

(ii) *Halibut product*. For halibut product, multiplying the scale weight actually reported at the time of landing by the conversion factor found in Table 3 of this part that corresponds to the product code reported in the IFQ landing report.

13. In § 679.61, the introductory paragraph is revised to read as follows:

§ 679.61 Registration areas.

For the purpose of managing the scallop fishery, the Federal waters off Alaska and adjacent State waters are divided into nine scallop registration areas. Three scallop registration areas are further subdivided into districts. The scallop registration areas and districts are defined in Figure 14 of this part.

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14. Part 679 is amended by revising Tables 1, 2, and 3 to this part and by adding Figures 8 through 16 to this part to read as follows:

TABLE 1.—PRODUCT CODES

Fish product code/description

- 1. Whole fish/food fish.
2. Whole fish/bait. Processed for bait.
3. Bled only. Throat, or isthmus, slit to allow blood to drain.
4. Gutted, head on. Belly slit and viscera removed.
5. Gutted, head off. IFQ Pacific halibut only.
6. Head and gutted, with roe.
7. Headed and gutted, Western cut. Head removed just in front of the collar bone, and viscera removed.
8. Headed and gutted, Eastern cut. Head removed just behind the collar bone, and viscera removed.
9. Headed and gutted, tail removed. Head removed usually in front of collar bone, and viscera and tail removed.
10. Kirimi. Head removed either in front or behind the collar bone, viscera removed, and tail removed by cuts perpendicular to the spine, resulting in a steak.
11. Salted and split. Head removed, belly slit, viscera removed, fillets cut from head to tail but remaining attached near tail. Product salted.
12. Wings. On skates, side fins are cut off next to body.
13. Roe. Eggs, either loose or in sacs, or skeins.
14. Pectoral girdle. Collar bone and associated bones, cartilage and flesh.
15. Heads. Heads only, regardless where severed from body.
16. Cheeks. Muscles on sides of head.
17. Chins. Lower jaw (mandible), muscles, and flesh.
18. Belly. Flesh in region of pelvic and pectoral fins and behind head.

TABLE 1.—PRODUCT CODES—Continued

| Fish product code/description |
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| 20. Fillets with skin and ribs. Meat and skin with ribs attached, from sides of body behind head and in front of tail. |
| 21. Fillets with skin, no ribs. Meat and skin with ribs removed, from sides of body behind head and in front of tail. |
| 22. Fillets with ribs and no skin. Meat with ribs with skin removed, from sides of body behind head and in front of tail. |
| 23. Fillets, skinless/boneless. Meat with both skin and ribs removed, from sides of body behind head and in front of tail. |
| 24. Deep-skin fillet. Meat with skin, adjacent meat with silver lining, and ribs removed from sides of body behind head and in front of tail, resulting in thin fillets. |
| 30. Surimi. Paste from fish flesh and additives. |
| 31. Minced. Ground flesh. |
| 32. Fish meal. Meal from fish and fish parts, including bone meal. |
| 33. Fish oil. Rendered oil. |
| 34. Milt. (in sacs, or testes). |
| 35. Stomachs. Includes all internal organs. |
| 36. Octopus/squid mantles. Flesh after removal of viscera and arms. |
| 37. Butterfly, no backbone. Head removed, belly slit, viscera and most of backbone removed; fillets attached. |
| 39. Bones (if meal, report as 32). |
| 51. Whole fish/food fish with ice and slime. IFQ sablefish only. |
| 54. Gutted, head on, with ice and slime. Belly slit and viscera removed. IFQ Pacific halibut and sablefish only. |
| 55. Gutted, head off, with ice and slime. IFQ Pacific halibut only. |
| 57. Headed and gutted, Western cut, with ice and slime. IFQ sablefish only. |
| 58. Headed and gutted, Eastern cut, with ice and slime. IFQ sablefish only. |
| 86. Donated Salmon. Includes salmon retained and donated under Salmon Donation Program. |
| 97. Other retained product |
| DISCARD PRODUCT CODES |
| 92. Discard, bait. Whole fish used as bait on board vessel. |
| 94. Discard, consumption. Fish or fish products eaten on board or taken off the vessel for personal use. |
| 96. Previously discarded fish (decomposed) taken with trawl gear in current fishing efforts. Discarded. |
| 98. Discard, at sea. Whole groundfish and prohibited species discarded by catcher vessels, Catcher/Processors, Motherships, or Buying Stations delivering to Motherships. |
| 99. Discard, dockside. Discard after delivery and before processing; Discard, at plant. In-plant discard of whole groundfish and prohibited species by Shoreside Processors and Buying Stations delivering to Shoreside Processors before and during processing. |
| M99 Discard, off site transfer. Discarded fish that are transferred to any off site facility for reduction to fish meal, fish oil and/or discard at sea. |
| PRODUCT DESIGNATION |
| A Ancillary. Product made in addition to a primary product from the same fish. |
| P Primary. Product made from each fish with the highest recovery rate. |
| R Reprocessed. Product that results from processing a previously reported product. |

TABLE 2.—SPECIES CODES

| Code/Species |
|--|
| 110. Pacific cod. |
| 120. Miscellaneous flatfish (all flatfish without separate codes). |
| 121. Arrowtooth flounder and/or Kamchatka flounder. |
| 122. Flathead sole. |
| 123. Rock sole. |
| 124. Dover sole. |
| 125. Rex sole. |
| 126. Butter sole. |
| 127. Yellowfin sole. |
| 128. English sole. |
| 129. Starry flounder. |
| 131. Petrale sole. |
| 132. Sand sole. |
| 133. Alaska Plaice flounder. |
| 134. Greenland turbot. |
| 135. Greenstripe rockfish. |
| 136. Northern rockfish. |
| 137. Bocaccio rockfish. |
| 138. Copper rockfish. |
| 141. Pacific ocean perch (<i>S. alutus</i> only) . |
| 142. Black rockfish. |
| 143. Thornyhead rockfish (all <i>Sebastolobus</i> species) . |
| 145. Yelloweye rockfish. |
| 146. Canary rockfish. |
| 147. Quillback rockfish. |
| 148. Tiger rockfish. |
| 149. China rockfish. |
| 150. Rosethorn rockfish. |
| 151. Rougheye rockfish. |
| 152. Shortraker rockfish. |

TABLE 2.—SPECIES CODES—Continued

| Code/Species |
|---|
| 153. Redbanded rockfish. |
| 154. Dusky rockfish. |
| 155. Yellowtail rockfish. |
| 156. Widow rockfish. |
| 157. Silvergray rockfish. |
| 158. Redstripe rockfish. |
| 159. Darkblotched rockfish. |
| 160. Sculpins. |
| 166. Sharpchin rockfish. |
| 167. Blue rockfish. |
| 175. Yellowmouth rockfish. |
| 176. Harlequin rockfish. |
| 177. Blackgill rockfish. |
| 178. Chilipepper rockfish. |
| 179. Pygmy rockfish. |
| 181. Shortbelly rockfish. |
| 182. Splitnose rockfish. |
| 183. Stripetail rockfish. |
| 184. Vermilion rockfish. |
| 185. Aurora rockfish. |
| 193. Atka mackerel. |
| 207. Gunnels. |
| 208. Pricklebacks. |
| 209. Bristlemouths, lightfishes, and anglemouths (Gonostomatidae) . |
| 210. Pacific Sand fish. |
| 270. Pollock. |
| 510. Smelt. |
| 511. Eulachon. |
| 516. Capelin. |
| 689. Sharks. |
| 700. Skates. |
| 710. Sablefish. |
| 772. Laternfishes. |
| 773. Deep-sea smelts (Bathylagidae). |
| 774. Pacific Sand lance. |
| 800. Krill. |
| 870. Octopus. |
| 875. Squid. |
| 888. Mixed species tote (for use on Product Transfer Report only). |
| GROUP CODES. These group codes may be used if individual species cannot be identified. |
| 144. Slope rockfish (aurora, blackgill, Bocaccio, redstripe, silvergray, chilipepper, darkblotched, greenstriped, harlequin, pygmy, shortbelly, splitnose, stripetail, vermillion, yellowmouth, sharpchin). |
| 168. Demersal shelf rockfish (china, copper, quillback, rosethorn, tiger, yelloweye, canary). |
| 169. Pelagic shelf rockfish (dusky, yellowtail, widow). |
| 171. Shortraker/rougheye rockfish. |
| PROHIBITED SPECIES CODES |
| 000. Unspecified salmon. |
| 200. Pacific halibut. |
| 235. Pacific herring (Family of Clupeidae). |
| 410. Salmon, Chinook. |
| 420. Salmon, Sockeye. |
| 430. Salmon, Coho. |
| 440. Salmon, Pink. |
| 450. Salmon, Chum. |
| 540. Steelhead trout. |
| 920. Unspecified king crab. |
| 921. Red king crab. |
| 922. Blue king crab. |
| 923. Gold/brown king crab. |
| 930. Unspecified tanner crab. |
| 931. Bairdi tanner crab. |
| 932. Opilio tanner crab. |

TABLE 3.—PRODUCT RECOVERY RATES FOR GROUND FISH SPECIES AND CONVERSION RATES FOR PACIFIC HALIBUT

| FMP species | Product code | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|--------|------------------|----|
| | Species code | Whole food fish | Whole bait fish | Bled | Gutted head on | Gutted head off | H&G with roe | H&G western cut | H&G eastern cut | H&G w/o tail | Kirimi | Salted and split | |
| Wings | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| PACIFIC COD | 110 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.85 | | 0.63 | 0.57 | 0.47 | 0.44 | | 0.45 | |
| ARROWTOOTH FLOUNDER | 121 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | | |
| ROCKFISH ¹ | | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.88 | | | 0.60 | 0.50 | | | | |
| SCULPINS | 160 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.87 | | | 0.50 | 0.40 | | | | |
| ATKA MACKEREL | 193 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.87 | | 0.67 | 0.64 | 0.61 | | | | |
| POLLOCK | 270 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.80 | | 0.70 | 0.65 | 0.56 | 0.50 | | | |
| SMELTS | 510 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.82 | | | 0.71 | | | | | |
| EULACHON | 511 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.82 | | | 0.71 | | | | | |
| CAPELIN | 516 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.89 | | | 0.78 | | | | | |
| SHARKS | 689 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.83 | | | 0.72 | | | | | |
| SKATES | 700 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | | 0.32 | | | | 0.32 | |
| SABLEFISH | 710 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.89 | | | 0.68 | 0.63 | 0.50 | | | |
| IFQ SABLEFISH | 710 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.89 | | | 0.68 | 0.63 | 0.50 | | | |
| OCTOPUS | 870 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.69 | | | | | | | | |
| Target species categories GOA only: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DEEP WATER FLATFISH | 118 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | | |
| FLATHEAD SOLE | 122 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | | |
| REX SOLE | 125 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | | |
| SHALLOW WATER FLATFISH | 119 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | | |
| THORNYHEAD ROCKFISH | 143 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.88 | | 0.55 | 0.60 | 0.50 | | | | |
| Target species categories BSAI only: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OTHER FLATFISH | 120 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | | |
| ROCK SOLE | 123 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | | |
| YELLOWFIN SOLE | 127 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | | |
| GREENLAND TURBOT | 134 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.62 | 0.48 | |
| SQUID | 875 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.69 | | | | | | | | |
| Conversion rates for Pacific halibut: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PACIFIC HALIBUT | 200 | | | | 0.90 | 1.0 | | | | | | | |

TABLE 3.—PRODUCT RECOVERY RATES FOR GROUND FISH SPECIES AND CONVERSION RATES FOR PACIFIC HALIBUT

| FMP species | Product code | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------|------|-----------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------|
| | Species code | Roe | Pectoral girdle | Heads | Cheeks | Chins | Belly | Filletts w/skin and ribs | Filletts skin on no ribs | Filletts w/ribs no skin | Filletts sknless/boneless | Filletts deep skin | Surimi | Mince |
| Wings | | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 30 | 31 |
| PACIFIC COD | 110 | 0.05 | 0.05 | | 0.05 | | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.35 | 0.25 | 0.25 | | 0.15 | 0.5 |
| ARROWTOOTH FLOUNDER | 121 | 0.08 | | 0.15 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | | |
| ROCKFISH ¹ | | | | | | | | 0.40 | 0.30 | 0.33 | 0.25 | | | |
| SCULPINS | 160 | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.15 | |
| ATKA MACKEREL | 193 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| POLLOCK | 270 | 0.07 | | 0.15 | | | | 0.35 | 0.30 | 0.30 | 0.21 | 0.16 | ² 0.16 | 0.22 |
| SMELTS | 510 | | | | | | | | 0.38 | | | | ³ 0.17 | |
| EULACHON | 511 | | | | | | | | 0.38 | | | | | |
| CAPELIN | 516 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SHARKS | 689 | | | | | | | | 0.30 | 0.30 | 0.25 | | | |
| SKATES | 700 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SABLEFISH | 710 | | | | 0.05 | | | 0.35 | 0.30 | 0.30 | 0.25 | | | |
| IFQ SABLEFISH | 710 | | | | 0.05 | | | 0.35 | 0.30 | 0.30 | 0.25 | | | |
| OCTOPUS | 870 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Target species categories at GOA only: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DEEP WATER FLATFISH | 118 | | | | | | | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | | |
| FLATHEAD SOLE | 122 | | | | | | | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | | |
| REX SOLE | 125 | | | | | | | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | | |
| SHALLOW WATER FLATFISH | 119 | | | | | | | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | | |
| THORNYHEAD ROCKFISH | 143 | | | 0.20 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.40 | 0.30 | 0.35 | 0.25 | | | |
| Target species categories at BSAI only: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OTHER FLATFISH | 120 | | | | | | | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | | |
| ROCK SOLE | 123 | | | | | | | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | | |
| YELLOWFIN SOLE | 127 | | | | | | | | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | 0.18 |
| GREENLAND TURBOT | 134 | | | | | | | 0.32 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.22 | | | |
| SQUID | 875 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Conversion rates for Pacific halibut: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

TABLE 3.—PRODUCT RECOVERY RATES FOR GROUND FISH SPECIES AND CONVERSION RATES FOR PACIFIC HALIBUT—Continued

| FMP species | Product code | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------|-----------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------|-------|
| | Species code | Roe | Pectoral girdle | Heads | Cheeks | Chins | Belly | Fillet w/skin and ribs | Fillet skin on no ribs | Fillet w/ribs no skin | Fillet sknless/boneless | Fillet deep skin | Surimi | Mince |
| Wings | | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 30 | 31 |
| PACIFIC HALIBUT | 200 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

TABLE 3.—PRODUCT RECOVERY RATES FOR GROUND FISH SPECIES AND CONVERSION RATES FOR PACIFIC HALIBUT

| FMP species | Product code | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------|-------|-------|-------|----------|---------|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| | Species code | Meal | Oil | Milt | Stomachs | Mantles | Butterfly backbone removed | Whole fish w/ I&S | Gutted head on W/ I&S | Gutted head off w/ I&S | H&G western w/ I&S | H&G eastern w/ I&S | De-composed fish | Discards |
| Wings | | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 51 | 54 | 55 | 57 | 58 | 96 | 92, 94, 98, 99, M99 |
| PACIFIC COD | 110 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.43 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| ARROWTOOTH FLOUNDER | 121 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| ROCKFISH ¹ ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| SCULPINS | 160 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| ATKA MACKEREL | 193 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| POLLOCK | 270 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.43 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| SMELTS | 510 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| EULACHON | 511 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| CAPELIN | 516 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| SHARKS | 689 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| SKATES | 700 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| SABLEFISH | 710 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| IFQ SABLEFISH | 710 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1.02 | 0.91 | ..... | 0.70 | 0.65 | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| OCTOPUS | 870 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.85 | 1.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Target species categories at GOA only: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DEEP WATER FLATFISH | 118 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| FLATHEAD SOLE | 122 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| REX SOLE | 125 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| SHALLOW WATER FLATFISH | 119 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| THORNYHEAD ROCKFISH | 143 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Target species categories at BSAI only: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OTHER FLATFISH | 120 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| ROCK SOLE | 123 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| YELLOWFIN SOLE | 127 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| GREENLAND TURBOT | 134 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| SQUID | 875 | 0.17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.75 | 1.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| Conversion rates for Pacific halibut: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PACIFIC HALIBUT | 200 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0.88 | 0.98 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

¹ Rockfish means all species of *Sebastes* and *Sebastolobus*.

² Standard pollock surimi rate during January through June.

³ Standard pollock surimi rate during July through December.

TABLE 4.—BERING SEA SUBAREA STELLER SEA LION PROTECTION AREAS
[3-nm NO TRANSIT ZONES described at § 227.12(a)(2) of this title]

| Island | From | | To | |
|--|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| | Latitude | Longitude | Latitude | Longitude |
| a. Year-round Trawl Closures (Trawling Prohibited Within 10 nm): | | | | |
| Sea Lion Rocks | 55°28.0' N | 163°12.0' W | | |
| Ugamak Island | 54°14.0' N | 164°48.0' W | 54°13.0' N | 164°48.0' W |
| Akun Island | 54°18.0' N | 165°32.5' W | 54°18.0' N | 165°31.5' W |
| Akutan Island | 54°03.5' N | 166°00.0' W | 54°05.5' N | 166°05.0' W |
| Bogoslof Island | 53°56.0' N | 168°02.0' W | | |
| Ogchul Island | 53°00.0' N | 168°24.0' W | | |
| Adugak Island | 52°55.0' N | 169°10.5' W | | |

TABLE 4.—BERING SEA SUBAREA STELLER SEA LION PROTECTION AREAS—Continued
[3-nm NO TRANSIT ZONES described at § 227.12(a)(2) of this title]

| Island | From | | To | |
|--|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| | Latitude | Longitude | Latitude | Longitude |
| Walrus Island | 57°11.0' N | 169°56.0' W | | |
| b. Seasonal Trawl Closures (During January 1 through April 15, or a date earlier than April 15, if adjusted under part 679, Trawling Prohibited Within 20 nm): | | | | |
| Sea Lion Rocks | 55°28.0' N | 163°12.0' W | | |
| Akun Island | 54°18.0' N | 165°32.5' W | 54°18.0' N | 165°31.5' W |
| Akutan Island | 54°03.5' N | 166°00.0' W | 54°05.5' N | 166°05.0' W |
| Ugamak Island | 54°14.0' N | 164°48.0' W | 54°13.0' N | 164°48.0' W |
| Seguam Island | 52°21.0' N | 172°35.0' W | 52°21.0' N | 172°33.0' W |
| Agligadak Island | 52°06.5' N | 172°54.0' W | | |

Note: The bounds of each rookery extend in a clockwise direction from the first set of geographic coordinates, along the shoreline at mean lower low water, to the second set of coordinates; if only one set of geographic coordinates is listed, the rookery extends around the entire shoreline of the island at mean lower low water.

TABLE 5.—ALEUTIAN ISLANDS SUBAREA STELLER SEA LION PROTECTION AREAS
[3-nm NO TRANSIT ZONES described at § 227.12(a)(2) of this title]

| Island | From | | To | |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| | Latitude | Longitude | Latitude | Longitude |
| a. Year-round Trawl Closures (Trawling Prohibited Within 10 nm): | | | | |
| Yunaska Island | 52°42.0' N | 170°38.5' W | 52°41.0' N | 170°34.5' W |
| Seguam Island | 52°21.0' N | 172°35.0' W | 52°21.0' N | 172°33.0' W |
| Agligadak Island | 52°06.5' N | 172°54.0' W | | |
| Kasatochi Island | 52°10.0' N | 175°31.0' W | 52°10.5' N | 175°29.0' W |
| Adak Island | 51°36.5' N | 176°59.0' W | 51°38.0' N | 176°59.5' W |
| Gramp Rock | 51°29.0' N | 178°20.5' W | | |
| Tag Island | 51°33.5' N | 178°34.5' W | | |
| Ulak Island | 51°20.0' N | 178°57.0' W | 51°18.5' N | 178°59.5' W |
| Semisopochnoi | 51°58.5' N | 179°45.5' E | 51°57.0' N | 179°46.0' E |
| Semisopochnoi | 52°01.5' N | 179°37.5' E | 52°01.5' N | 179°39.0' E |
| Amchitka Island | 51°22.5' N | 179°28.0' E | 51°21.5' N | 179°25.0' E |
| Amchitka Is./Column Rocks | 51°32.5' N | 178°49.5' E | | |
| Ayugadak Point | 51°45.5' N | 178°24.5' E | | |
| Kiska Island | 51°57.5' N | 177°21.0' E | 51°56.5' N | 177°20.0' E |
| Kiska Island | 51°52.5' N | 177°13.0' E | 51°53.5' N | 177°12.0' E |
| Buldir Island | 52°20.5' N | 175°57.0' E | 52°23.5' N | 175°51.0' E |
| Agattu Is./Gillion Pt | 52°24.0' N | 173°21.5' E | | |
| Agattu Island | 52°23.5' N | 173°43.5' E | 52°22.0' N | 173°41.0' E |
| Attu Island | 52°54.5' N | 172°28.5' E | 52°57.5' N | 172°31.5' E |
| b. Seasonal Trawl Closures (During January 1 through April 15, or a date earlier than April 15, if adjusted under part 679.20, Trawling Prohibited Within 20 nm): | | | | |
| Seguam Island | 52°21.0' N | 172°35.0' W | 52°21.0' N | 172°33.0' W |
| Agligadak Island | 52°06.5' N | 172°54.0' W | | |

Note: Each rookery extends in a clockwise direction from the first set of geographic coordinates, along the shoreline at mean lower low water, to the second set of coordinates; if only one set of geographic coordinates is listed, the rookery extends around the entire shoreline of the island at mean lower low water.

TABLE 6.—GULF OF ALASKA STELLER SEA LION PROTECTION AREAS
[3-nm NO TRANSIT ZONES described at § 227.12(a)(2) of this title]

| Island | From | | To | |
|--|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| | Latitude | Longitude | Latitude | Longitude |
| a. Year-round Trawl Closures (Trawling Prohibited Within 10 nm): | | | | |
| Outer Island | 59°20.5' N | 150°23.0' W | 59°21.0' N | 150°24.5' W |
| Sugarloaf Island | 58°53.0' N | 152°02.0' W | | |
| Marmot Island | 58°14.5' N | 151°47.5' W | 58°10.0' N | 151°51.0' W |
| Chirikof Island | 55°46.5' N | 155°39.5' W | 55°46.5' W | 155°43.0' W |
| Chowiet Island | 56°00.5' N | 156°41.5' W | 56°00.5' N | 156°42.0' W |
| Atkins Island | 55°03.5' N | 159°18.5' W | | |
| Chernabura Island | 54°47.5' N | 159°31.0' W | 54°45.5' N | 159°33.5' W |
| Pinnacle Rock | 54°46.0' N | 161°46.0' W | | |
| Clubbing Rocks-N | 54°43.0' N | 162°26.5' W | | |

TABLE 6.—GULF OF ALASKA STELLER SEA LION PROTECTION AREAS—Continued
[3-nm NO TRANSIT ZONES described at § 227.12(a)(2) of this title]

| Island | From | | To | |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| | Latitude | Longitude | Latitude | Longitude |
| Clubbing Rocks-S | 54°42.0' N | 162°26.5' W | | |
| Ugamak Island | 54°14.0' N | 164°48.0' W | 54°13.0' N | 164°48.0' W |
| Akun Island | 54°18.0' N | 165°32.5' W | 54°18.0' N | 165°31.5' W |
| Akutan Island | 54°03.5' N | 166°00.0' W | 54°05.5' N | 166°05.0' W |
| Ogchul Island | 53°00.0' N | 168°24.0' W | | |
| b. Seasonal Trawl Closures (During January 1 through April 15, or a date earlier than April 15, if adjusted under part 679.20. Trawling Prohibited Within 20 nm): | | | | |
| Akun I | 54°18.0' N | 165°32.5' W | 54°18.0' N | 165°31.5' W |
| Akutan I | 54°03.5' N | 166°00.0' W | 54°05.5' N | 166°05.0' W |
| Ugamak I | 54°14.0' N | 164°48.0' W | 54°13.0' N | 164°48.0' W |

Note: The bounds of each rookery extend in a clockwise direction from the first set of geographic coordinates, along the shoreline at mean lower low water, to the second set of coordinates; if only one set of geographic coordinates is listed, the rookery extends around the entire shoreline of the island at mean lower low water.

TABLE 7.—COMMUNITIES DETERMINED TO BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUOTAS [Other communities may also be eligible, but do not appear on this table]

- Aleutian Region:
1. Akutan
 2. Atka
 3. False Pass
 4. Nelson Lagoon
 5. Nikolski
 6. St. George
 7. St. Paul
- Bering Strait:
1. Brevig Mission
 2. Diomede/Inalik
 3. Elim
 4. Gambell
 5. Golovin
 6. Koyuk
 7. Nome
 8. Savoonga
 9. Shaktoolik
 10. St. Michael
 11. Stebbins
 12. Teller
 13. Unalakleet
 14. Wales
 15. White Mountain
- Bristol Bay:
1. Aleknagik
 2. Clark's Point
 3. Dillingham

TABLE 7.—COMMUNITIES DETERMINED TO BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUOTAS—Continued

[Other communities may also be eligible, but do not appear on this table]

4. Egegik
 5. Ekuk
 6. Manokotak
 7. Naknek
 8. Pilot Point/Ugashi
 9. Port Heiden/Meschick
 10. South Naknek
 11. Sovonoski/King Salmon
 12. Togiak
 13. Twin Hills
- Southwest Coastal Lowlands:
1. Alakanuk
 2. Chefornak
 3. Chevak
 4. Eek
 5. Emmonak
 6. Goodnews Bay
 7. Hooper Bay
 8. Kipnuk
 9. Kongiganak
 10. Kotlik
 11. Kwigillingok
 12. Mekoryuk
 13. Newtok
 14. Nightmute
 15. Platinum
 16. Quinhagak
 17. Scammon Bay

TABLE 7.—COMMUNITIES DETERMINED TO BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUOTAS—Continued

[Other communities may also be eligible, but do not appear on this table]

18. Sheldon's Point
19. Toksook Bay
20. Tununak
21. Tuntutuliak

TABLE 8.—HARVEST ZONE CODES FOR USE WITH PRODUCT TRANSFER REPORTS AND VESSEL ACTIVITY REPORTS

| Harvest zone | Description |
|--------------|---|
| A | EEZ off Alaska. |
| D | Donut Hole. |
| F | Foreign Waters other than Russia. |
| I | International waters other than Donut Hole and Seamounts. |
| R | Russian waters. |
| S | Seamounts in international waters. |
| U | U.S. EEZ other than Alaska. |

TABLE 9.—REQUIRED LOGBOOKS, REPORTS AND FORMS FROM PARTICIPANTS IN THE FEDERAL GROUND FISH FISHERIES

| Name of logbook/form | Catcher-vessel | Catcher-processor | Mothership | Shoreside processor | Buying station |
|--|----------------|-------------------|------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Daily Fishing Logbook (DFL) | YES | NO | NO | NO | NO |
| Daily Cumulative Production Logbook (DCPL) | NO | YES | YES | YES | NO |
| Daily Cumulative Logbook (DCL) | NO | NO | NO | NO | YES |
| Check-in/Check-out Report | NO | YES | YES | YES | YES |
| U.S. Vessel Activity Report (VAR) | YES | YES | YES | NO | NO |
| Weekly Production Report (WPR) | NO | YES | YES | YES | NO |
| Daily Production Report (DPR) ¹ | NO | YES | YES | YES | NO |
| Product Transfer Report (PTR) | NO | YES | YES | YES | NO |

¹ When required by Regional Administrator.

TABLE 10.—CURRENT GULF OF ALASKA RETAINABLE PERCENTAGES

| | Bycatch Species ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Pollock | Pacific Cod | Deep flatfish | Rex Sole | Flathead Sole | Shallow flatfish | Arrowtooth | Sablefish | Aggregated rockfish ² | DSR SEEO ⁴ | Atka mackerel | Other species |
| Basis Species ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pollock | ³ NA | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 20 |
| Pacific cod | 20 | ³ NA | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 20 |
| Deep flatfish | 20 | 20 | ³ NA | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Rex sole | 20 | 20 | 20 | ³ NA | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Flathead sole | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | ³ NA | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Shallow flatfish | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | ³ NA | 35 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 20 |
| Arrowtooth | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ³ NA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sablefish | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | ³ NA | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Pacific Ocean perch | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Shortraker/rougheye | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Other rockfish | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Northern rockfish | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Pelagic rockfish | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| DSR-SEEO | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | ³ NA | 20 | 20 |
| Thornyhead | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 20 |
| Atka mackerel | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 1 | 5 | 10 | ³ NA | 20 |
| Other species | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 20 | ³ NA |
| Aggregated amount non-groundfish species | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 20 |

¹ For definition of species, see Table 1 of the Gulf of Alaska groundfish specifications.

² Aggregated rockfish means rockfish of the genera Sebastes and Sebastolobus except in the southeast Outside District where demersal shelf rockfish (DSR) is a separate category.

³NA = not applicable.

⁴SEEO = Southeast Outside District.

TABLE 11.—BERING SEA AND ALEUTIAN ISLANDS MANAGEMENT AREA RETAINABLE PERCENTAGES

| Species | Bycatch species ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Pollock | Pacific cod | Atka mackerel | Arrowtooth | Yellowfin sole | Other flatfish | Rocksole | Flathead sole | Greenland turbot | Sablefish | Aggregated rockfish ² | Squid | Other |
| BASIS SPECIES ¹ | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pollock | ³ NA | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 20 |
| Pacific cod | 20 | ³ NA | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 20 |
| Atka mackerel | 20 | 20 | ³ NA | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 20 |
| Arrowtooth | 0 | 0 | 0 | ³ NA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Yellowfin sole | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | ³ NA | 35 | 35 | 35 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 20 |
| Other flatfish | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | ³ NA | 35 | 35 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 20 |
| Rocksole | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 35 | ³ NA | 35 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 20 |
| Flathead sole | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 35 | 35 | 35 | ³ NA | 35 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Greenland turbot | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | ³ NA | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Sablefish | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | ³ NA | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Other rockfish | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Other red rockfish-BS | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Pacific Ocean perch | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Sharpchin/Northern-AI | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Shortraker/Rougheye-AI | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Squid | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 5 | ³ NA | 20 |
| Other species | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 20 | ³ NA |
| Aggregated amount non-groundfish species | 20 | 20 | 20 | 35 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 20 |

¹ For definition of species, see Table 1 of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands groundfish specifications.

² Aggregated rockfish of the genera Sebastes and Sebastolobus.

³NA = not applicable.

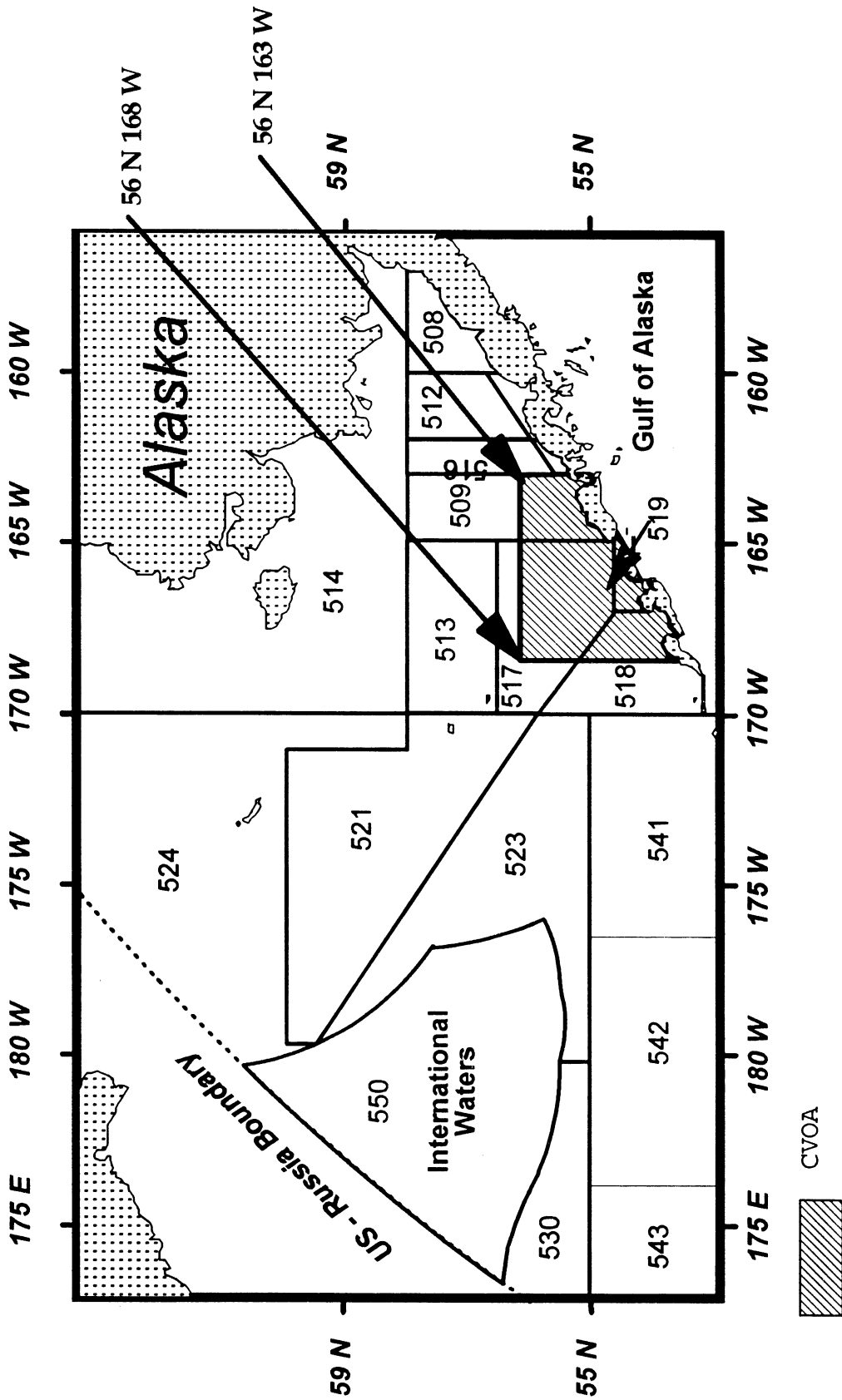


Figure 2. BSAI Catcher Vessel Operational Area (CVOA) (South of 56 00 N lat between 163 00 W and 168 00 W long)

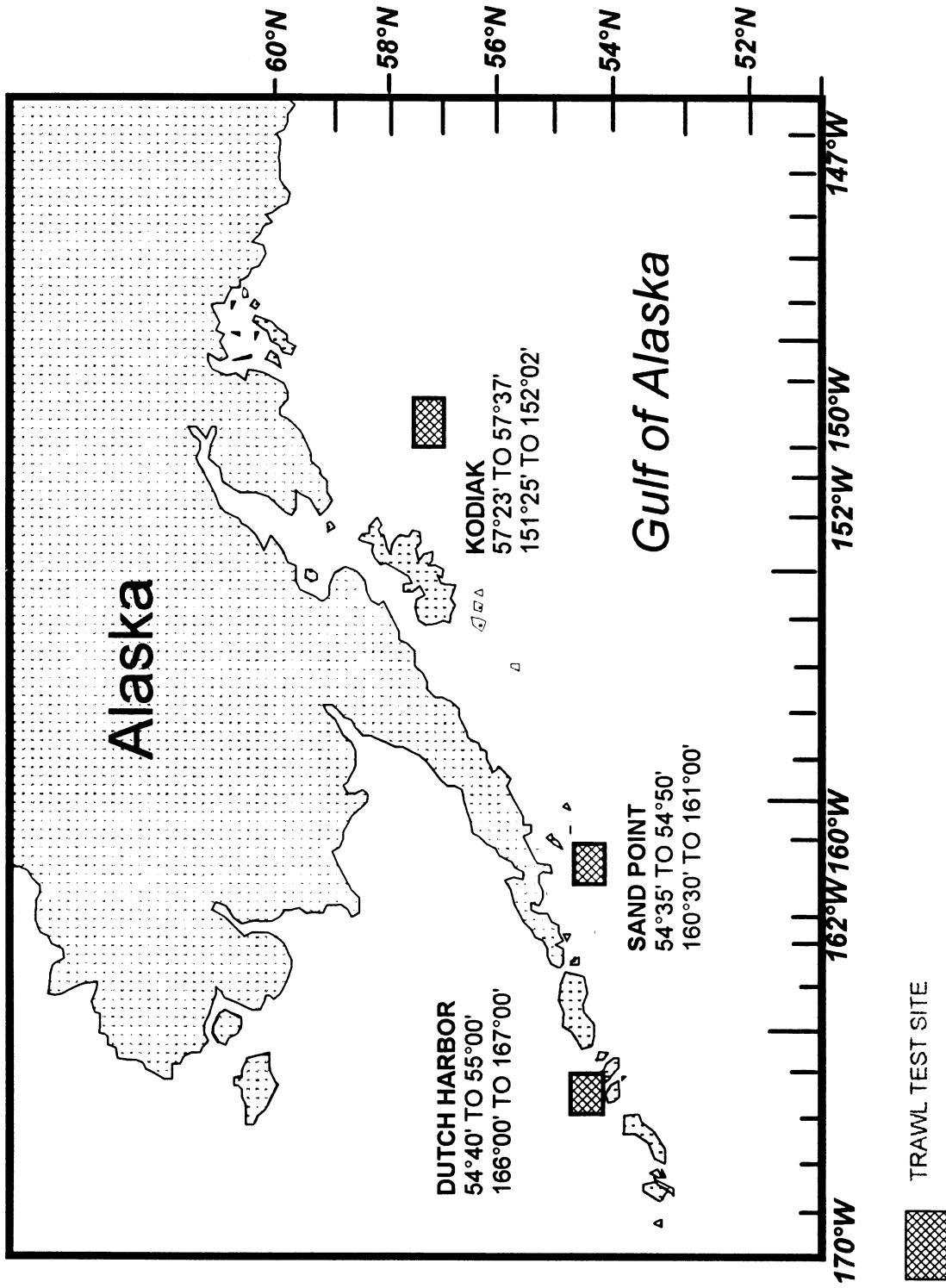


Figure 7. Location of Trawl Gear Test Areas in the GOA and the BSAI

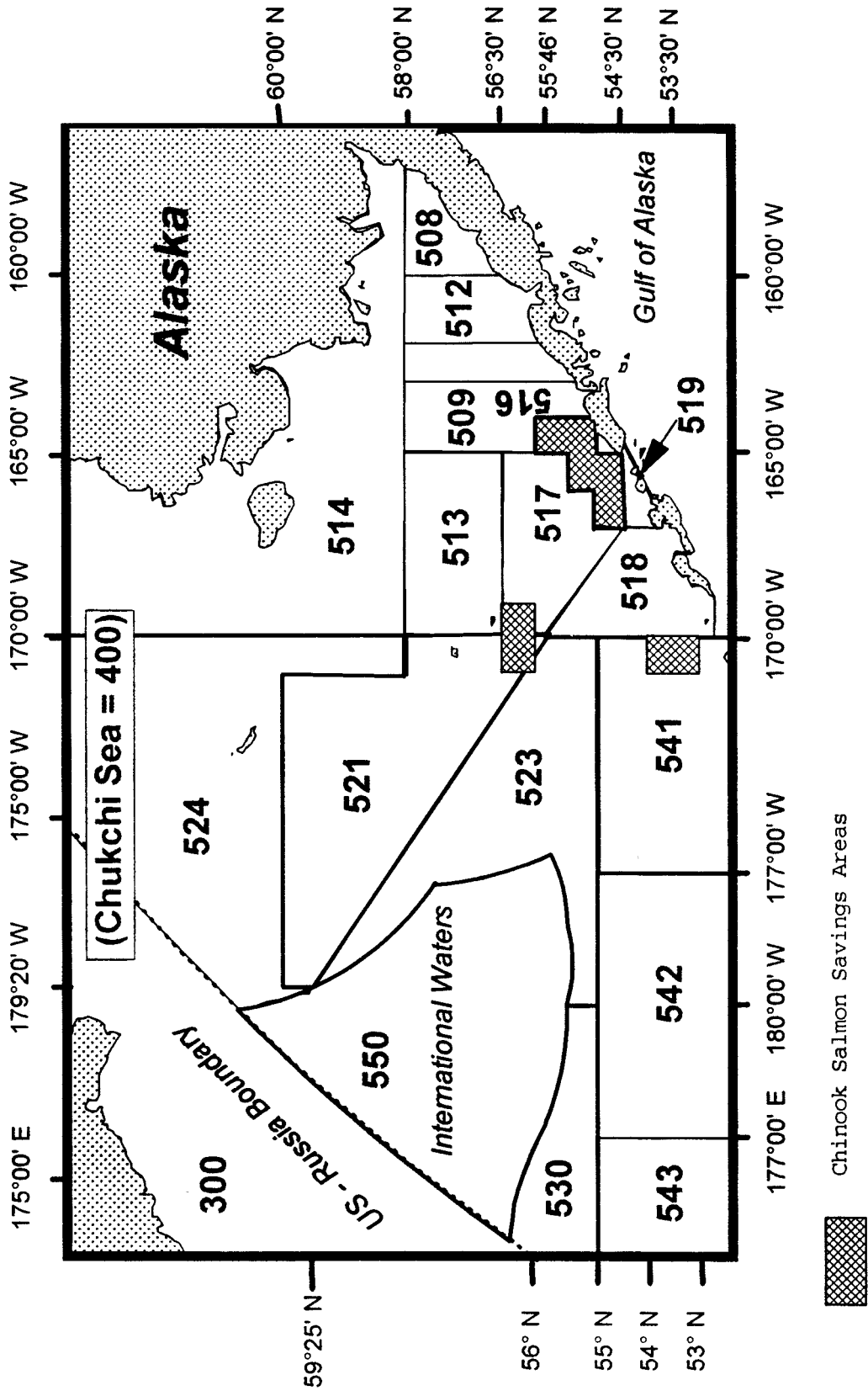


Figure 8. Chinook Salmon Savings Areas of the BSAI
a. Map

FIGURE 8.—CHINOOK SALMON SAVINGS AREAS OF THE BSAI
[b. Coordinates]

The Chinook Salmon Savings Area is defined in the following three areas of the BSAI:

(1) The area defined by straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

56°30' N. lat., 171°00' W. long.

56°30' N. lat., 169°00' W. long.

56°00' N. lat., 169°00' W. long.

56°00' N. lat., 171°00' W. long.

56°30' N. lat., 171°00' W. long.

(2) The area defined by straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

54°00' N. lat., 171°00' W. long.

54°00' N. lat., 170°00' W. long.

53°00' N. lat., 170°00' W. long.

53°00' N. lat., 171°00' W. long.

54°00' N. lat., 171°00' W. long.

(3) The area defined by straight lines connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

56°00' N. lat., 165°00' W. long.

56°00' N. lat., 164°00' W. long.

55°00' N. lat., 164°00' W. long.

55°00' N. lat., 165°00' W. long.

54°30' N. lat., 165°00' W. long.

54°30' N. lat., 167°00' W. long.

55°00' N. lat., 167°00' W. long.

55°00' N. lat., 166°00' W. long.

55°30' N. lat., 166°00' W. long.

55°30' N. lat., 165°00' W. long.

56°00' N. lat., 165°00' W. long.

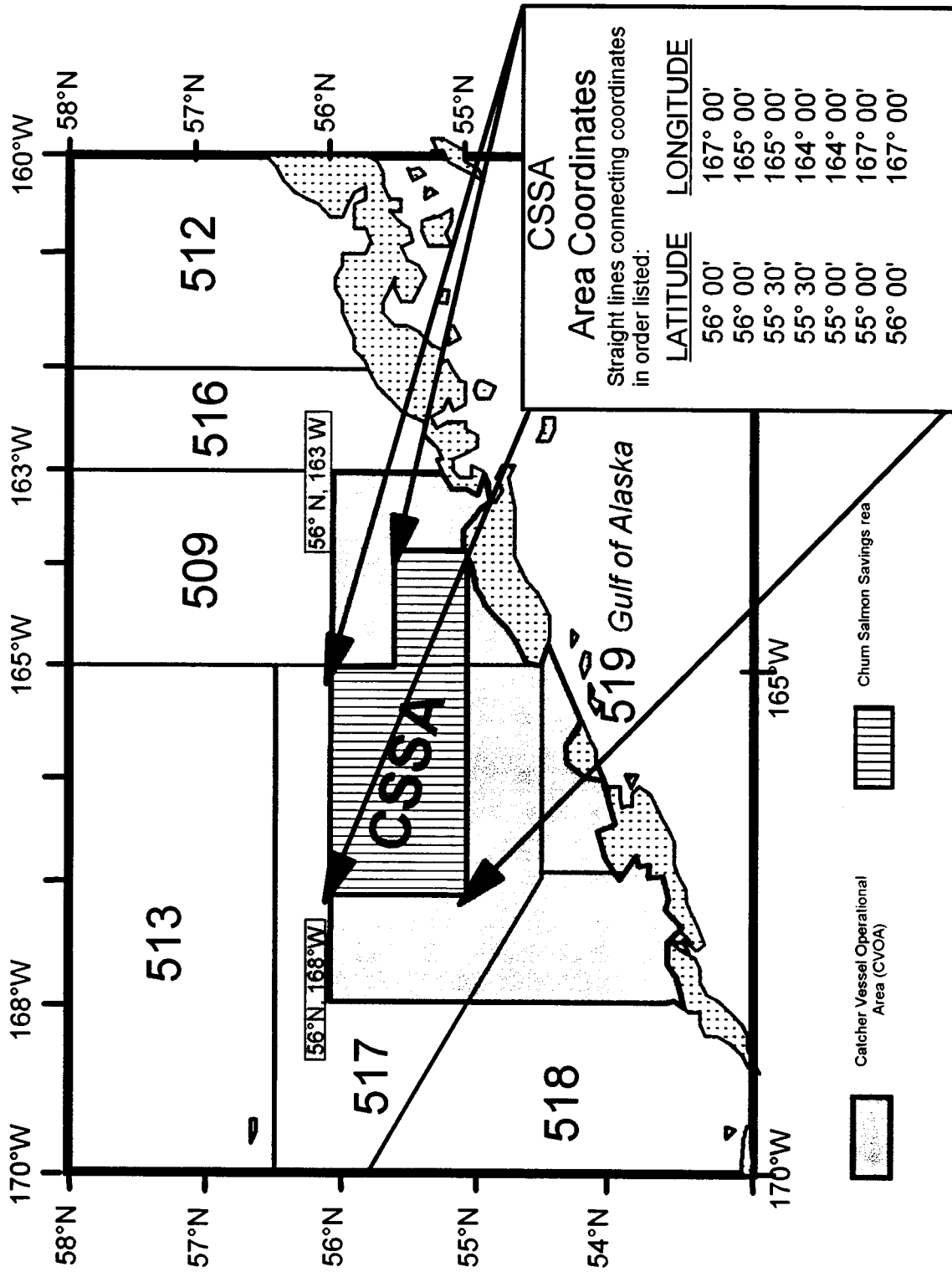


Figure 9. Chum Salmon Savings Area (CSSA) of the CVOA

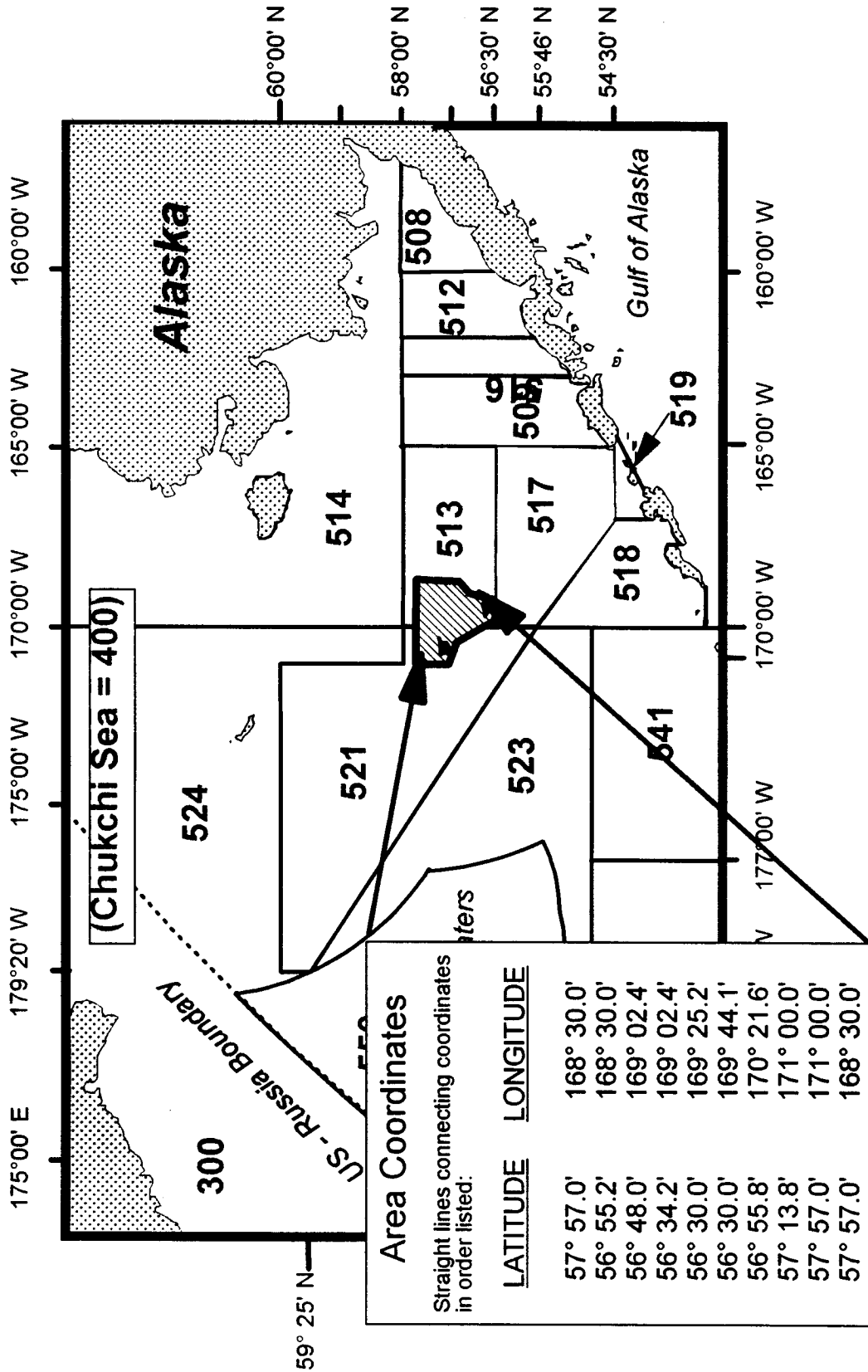


Figure 10. Pribilof Islands Area Habitat Conservation Zone

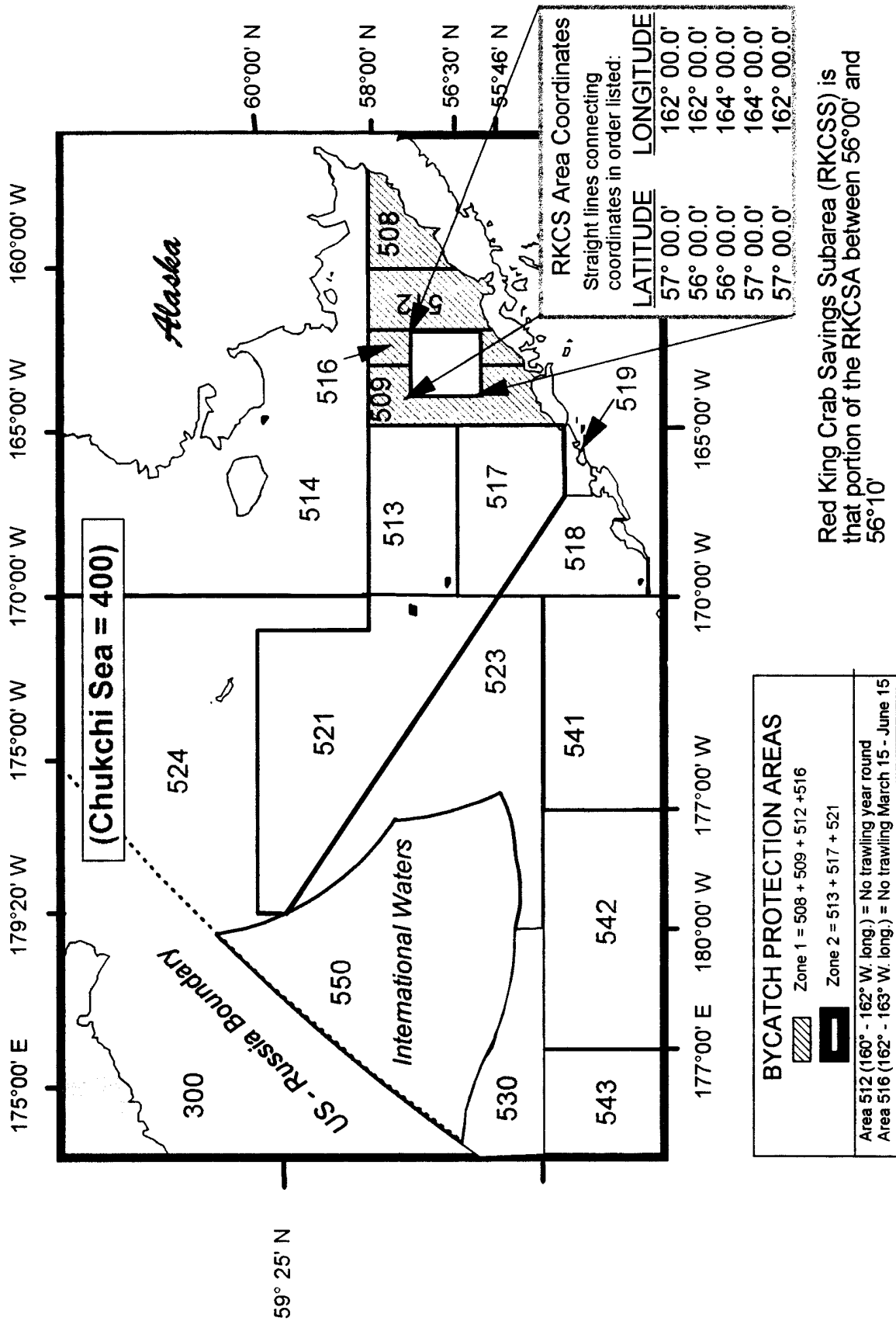


Figure 11. Red King Crab Savings Area (RKCSA)

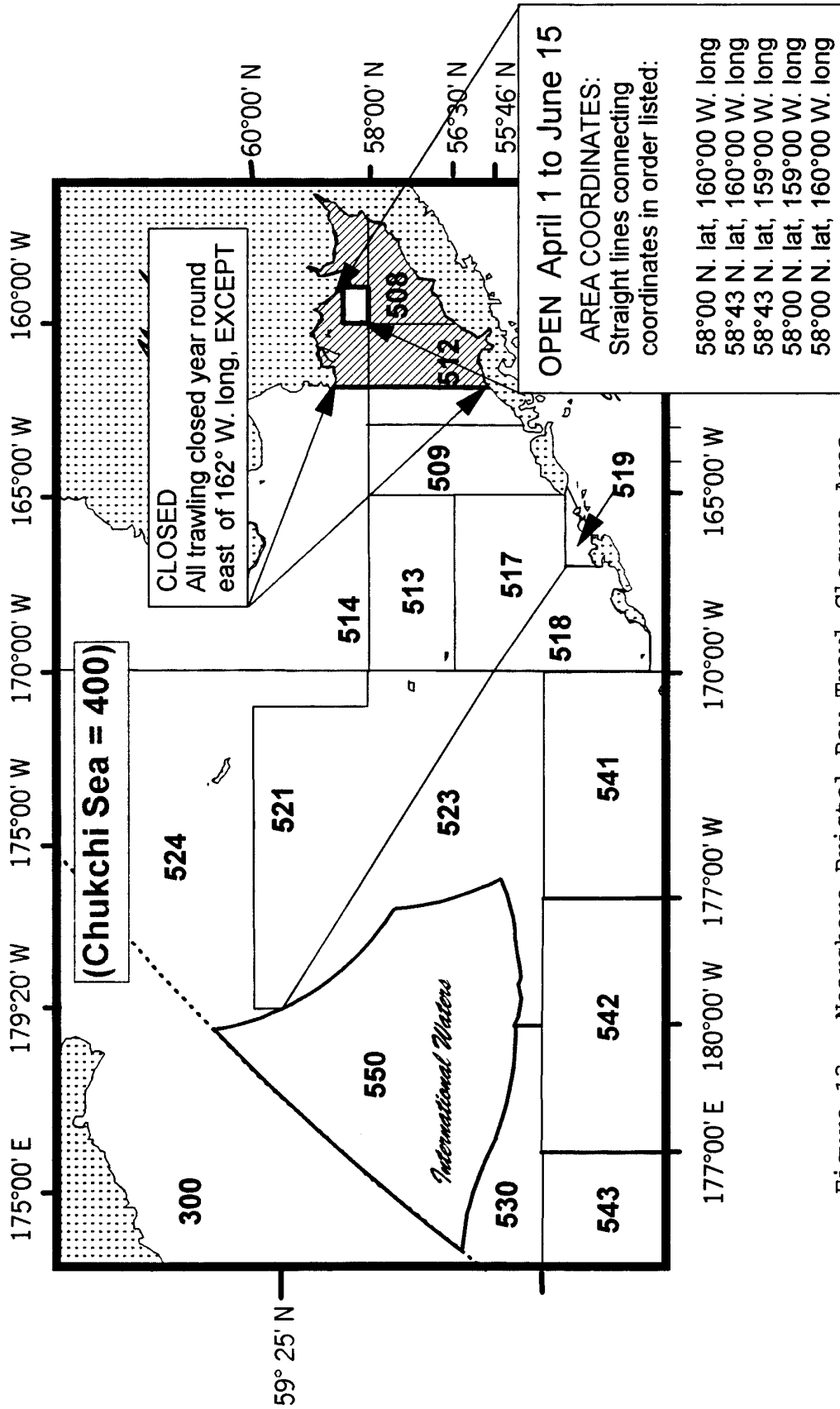


Figure 12. Nearshore Bristol Bay Trawl Closure Area

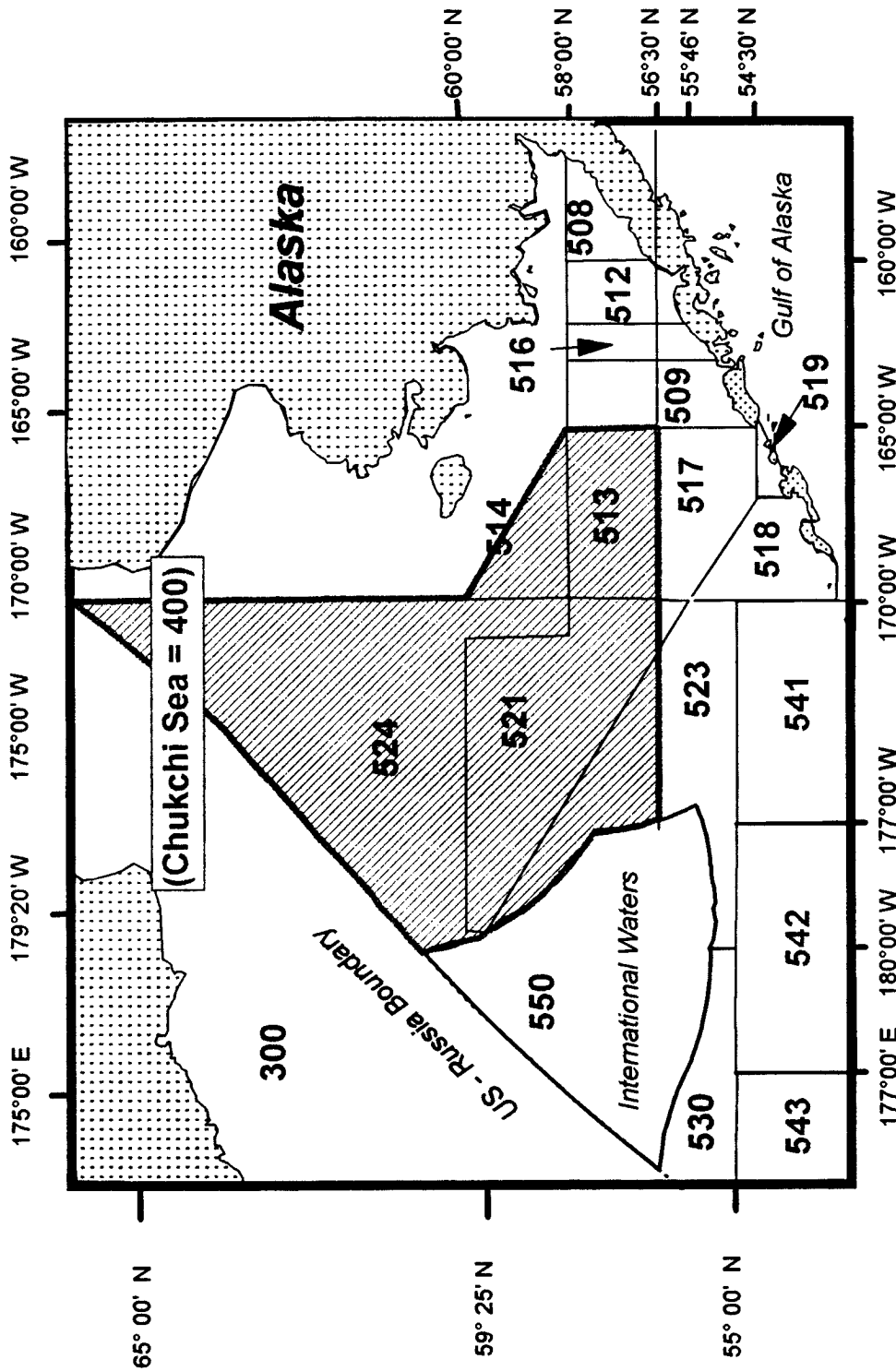


Figure 13. BSAI C. Opilio Crab Bycatch Limitation Zone (COBLIZ)
a. Map

FIGURE 13.—BSAI C. OPILIO TANNER CRAB BYCATCH LIMITATION ZONE (COBLZ)
[(b). Coordinates]

The COBLZ is an area defined as that portion of the Bering Sea Subarea north of 56° 30' N. lat. that is west of a line connecting the following coordinates in the order listed:

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| 56° 30' N. lat. | 165° 00' W. long. |
| 58° 00' N. lat. | 165° 00' W. long. |
| 59° 30' N. lat. | 170° 00' W. long. |

and north along 170° 00' W. long. to its intersection with the U.S.-Russia Boundary.

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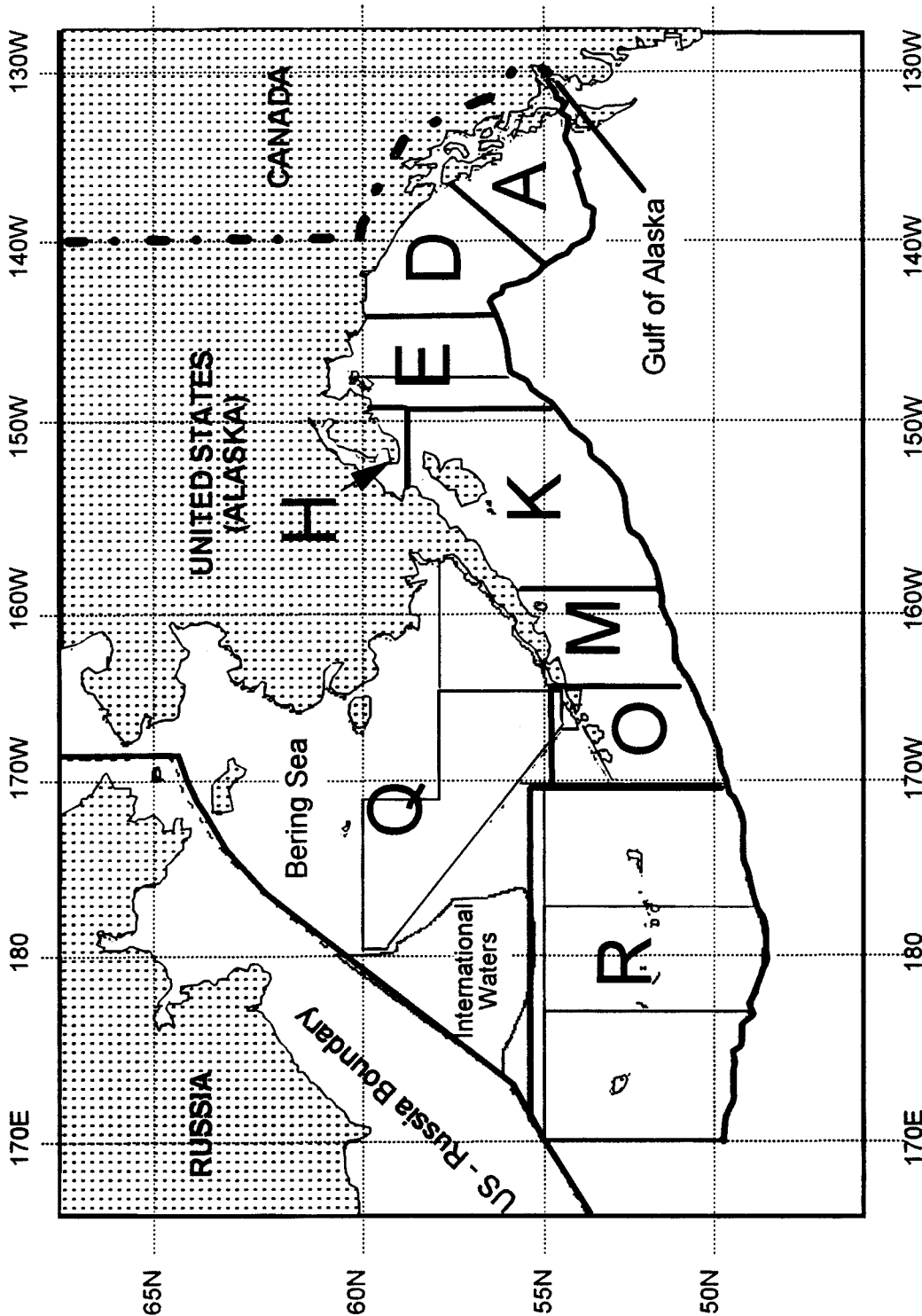


Figure 14. Scallop registration areas
a. Map

FIGURE 14.—SCALLOP REGISTRATION AREAS

[b. Coordinates]

Registration Area A (Southeastern) has as its southern boundary, the international boundary at Dixon Entrance, and as its northern boundary Loran-C line 7960–Y–29590, which intersects the western tip of Cape Fairweather at 58°47'58" N. lat., 137°56'30" W. long., except for ADF&G District 16 defined within Registration Area D (Yakutat).

Registration Area D (Yakutat) has as its western boundary the longitude of Cape Suckling (143°53' W. long.), and as its southern boundary Loran-C line 7960–Y–29590, which intersects the western tip of Cape Fairweather at 58°47'58" N. lat., 137°56'30" W. long., and ADF&G District 16 defined as all waters north of a line projecting west from the southernmost tip of Cape Spencer and south of a line projecting southwest from the westernmost tip of Cape Fairweather.

FIGURE 14.—SCALLOP REGISTRATION AREAS—Continued

[b. Coordinates]

Registration Area E (Prince William Sound) has as its western boundary the longitude of Cape Fairfield (148°50' W. long.), and its eastern boundary the longitude of Cape Suckling (143°53' W. long.).

Registration Area H (Cook Inlet) has as its eastern boundary the longitude of Cape Fairfield (148°50' W. long.) and its southern boundary the latitude of Cape Douglas (58°52' N. lat.).

(1) *Northern District.* North of a line extending from Boulder Point at 60°46'23" N. lat., to Shell Platform C, then to a point on the west shore at 60°46'23" N. lat.

(2) *Central District.* All waters between a line extending from Boulder Point at 60°46'23" N. lat., to Shell Platform C, to a point on the west shore at 60°46'23" N. lat., and the latitude of Anchor Point Light (59°46'12" N. lat.).

(3) *Southern District.* All waters enclosed by a line from Anchor Point Light west to 59°46'12" N. lat., 152°20' W. long., then south to 59°03'25" N. lat., 152°20' W. long., then in a northeasterly direction to the tip of Cape Elizabeth at 59°09'30" N. lat., 151°53' W. long., then from the tip of Cape Elizabeth to the tip of Point Adam at 59°15'20" N. lat., 151°58'30" W. long.

(4) *Kamishak Bay District.* All waters enclosed by a line from 59°46'12" N. lat., 153°00'30" W. long., then east to 59°46'12" N. lat., 152°20' W. long., then south to 59°03'25" N. lat., 152°20' W. long., then southwesterly to Cape Douglas (58°52' N. lat.). The seaward boundary of the Kamishak Bay District is 3 nautical miles seaward from the shoreline between a point on the west shore of Cook Inlet at 59°46'12" N. lat., 153°00'30" W. long., and Cape Douglas at 58°52' N. lat., 153°15' W. long., including a line three nautical miles seaward from the shorelines of Augustine Island and Shaw Island, and including the line demarking all state waters shown on NOAA chart 16640, 21st Ed., May 5, 1990 (available from the Alaska Region).

(5) *Barren Island District.* All waters enclosed by a line from Cape Douglas (58°52' N. lat.) to the tip of Cape Elizabeth at 59°09'30" N. lat., 151°53' W. long., then south to 58°52' N. lat., 151°53' W. long., then west to Cape Douglas.

(6) *Outer District.* All waters enclosed by a line from the tip of Point Adam to the tip of Cape Elizabeth, then south to 58°52' N. lat., 151°53' W. long., then east to the longitude of Aligo Point (149°44'33" W. long.), then north to the tip of Aligo Point.

(7) *Eastern District.* All waters east of the longitude of Aligo Point (149°44'33" W. long.), west of the longitude of Cape Fairfield (148°50' W. long.), and north of 58°52' N. lat.

Registration Area K (Kodiak) has as its northern boundary the latitude of Cape Douglas (58°52' N. lat.), and as its western boundary the longitude of Cape Kumlik (157°27' W. long.).

(1) *Northeast District.* All waters northeast of a line extending 168° from the easternmost tip of Cape Barnabas, east of a line from the northernmost tip of Inner Point to the southernmost tip of Afognak Point, east of 152°30' W. long. in Shuyak Strait, and east of the longitude of the northernmost tip of Shuyak Island (152°20' W. long.).

(2) *Southeast District.* All waters southwest of a line extending 168° from the easternmost tip of Cape Barnabas and east of a line extending 222° from the southernmost tip of Cape Trinity.

(3) *Southwest District.* All waters west of a line extending 222° from the southernmost tip of Cape Trinity, south of a line from the westernmost tip of Cape Ikolik to the southernmost tip of Cape Kilokak and east of the longitude of Cape Kilokak (156°19' W. long.).

(4) *Semidi Island District.* All waters west of the longitude of Cape Kilokak at 156°19' W. long. and east of the longitude of Cape Kumlik at 157°27' W. long.

(5) *Shelikof District.* All waters north of a line from the westernmost tip of Cape Ikolik to the southernmost tip of Cape Kilokak, west of a line from the northernmost tip of Inner Point to the southernmost tip of Afognak Point, west of 152°30' W. long., in Shuyak Strait, and west of the longitude of the northernmost tip of Shuyak Island (152°20' W. long.).

Registration Area M (Alaska Peninsula) has as its eastern boundary the longitude of Cape Kumlik (157°27' W. long.), and its western boundary the longitude of Scotch Cap Light. The registration area also includes all waters of Bechevin Bay and Isanotski Strait south of a line from the easternmost tip of Chunak Point to the westernmost tip of Cape Krenitzen.

Registration Area O (Dutch Harbor) has as its northern boundary the latitude of Cape Sarichef (54°36' N. lat.), as its eastern boundary the longitude of Scotch Cap Light, and as its western boundary 171° W. long., excluding the waters of Statistical Area Q.

Registration Area Q (Bering Sea) has as its southern boundary a line from Cape Sarichef (54°36' N. lat.), to 54°36' N. lat., 171° W. long., to 55°30' N. lat., 171° W. long., to 55°30' N. lat., 173°30' long., as its northern boundary the latitude of Point Hope 68°21' N. lat.).

Registration Area R (Adak) has as its eastern boundary 171° W. long., and as its northern boundary 55°30' N. lat.

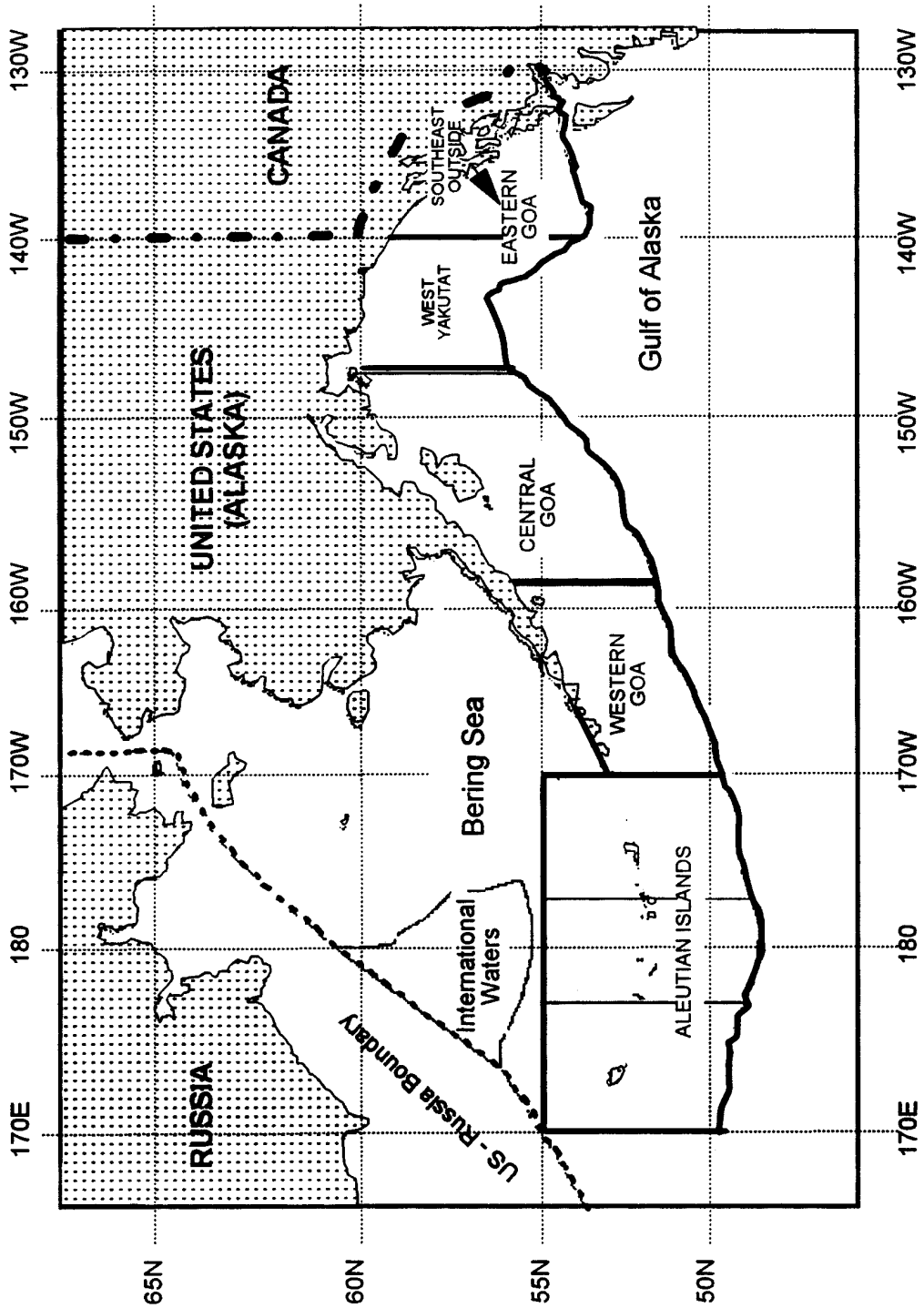


Figure 15. Sablefish Regulatory Areas
a. Map

NOTE: Refer to Figures 1 and 3 for coordinates.

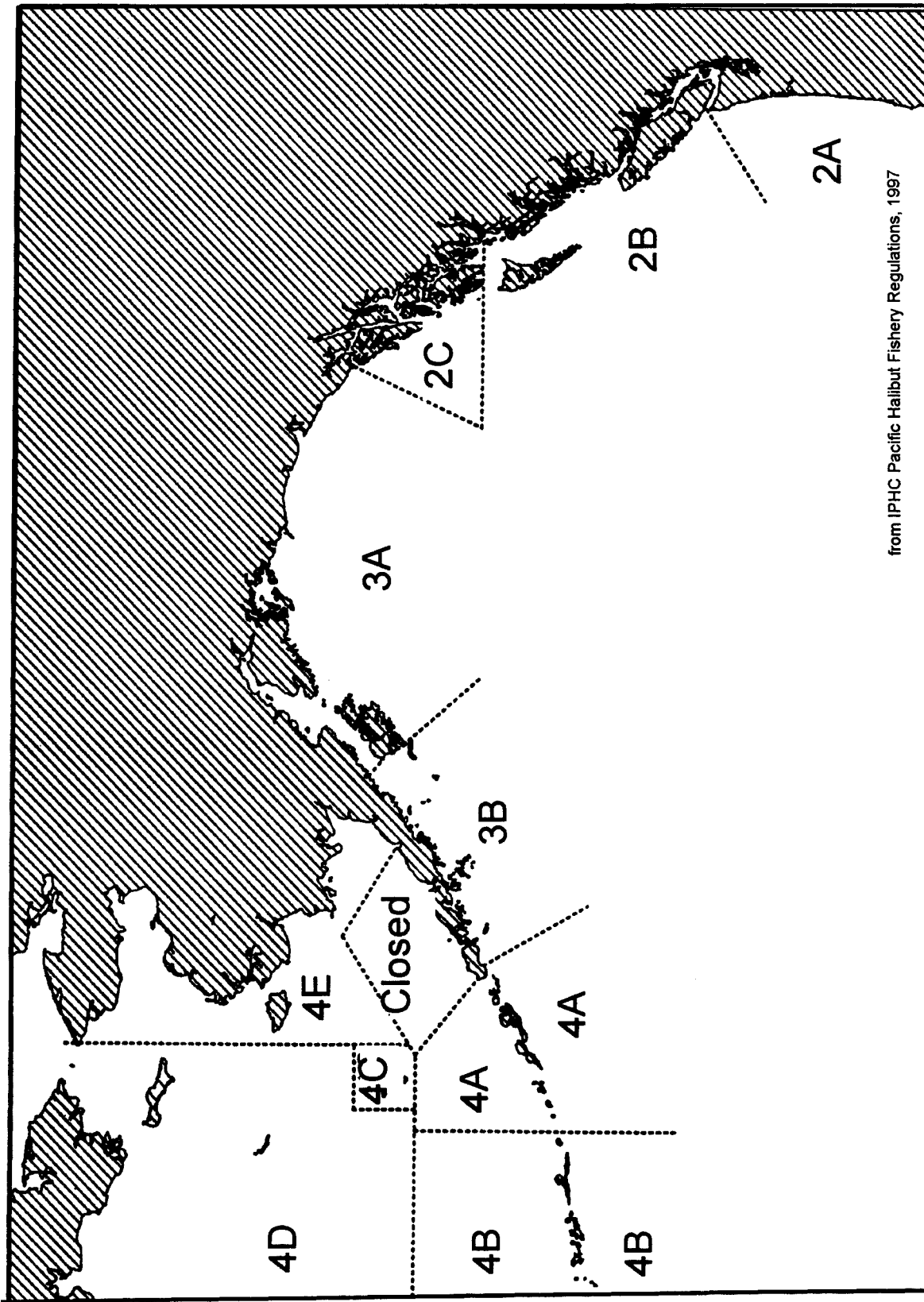


Figure 16. Regulatory Areas for the Pacific Halibut Fishery
a. Map

FIGURE 16.—REGULATORY AREAS FOR THE PACIFIC HALIBUT FISHERY

[b. Coordinates]

Area 2A includes all waters off the states of California, Oregon, and Washington;

Area 2B includes all waters off British Columbia;

Area 2C includes all waters off Alaska that are east of a line running 340° true from Cape Spencer Light (58°11'57" N. lat., 136°38'18" W. long.) and south and east of a line running 205° true from said light;

Area 3A includes all waters between *Area 2C* and a line extending from the most northerly point on Cape Aklek (57°41'15" N. lat., 155°35'00" W. long.) to Cape Ikolik (57°17'17" N. lat., 154°47'18" W. long.), then along the Kodiak Island coastline to Cape Trinity (56°44'50" N. lat., 154°08'44" W. long.), then 140° true;

Area 3B includes all waters between *Area 3A* and a line extending 150° true from Cape Lutke (54°29'00" N. lat., 164°20'00" W. long.) and south of 54°49'00" N. lat. in Isanotski Strait;

Area 4A includes all waters in the GOA west of *Area 3B* and in the Bering Sea west of the closed area defined below that are east of 172°00'00" W. long. and south of 56°20'00" N. lat.;

Area 4B includes all waters in the Bering Sea and the GOA west of *Area 4A* and south of 56°20'00" N. lat.;

Area 4C includes all waters in the Bering Sea north of *Area 4A* and north of the closed area defined below which are east of 171°00'00" W. long., south of 58°00'00" N. lat., and west of 168°00'00" W. long.;

Area 4D includes all waters in the Bering Sea north of *Areas 4A* and *4B*, north and west of *Area 4C*, and west of 168°00'00" W. long.;

Area 4E includes all waters in the Bering Sea north and east of the closed area defined below, east of 168°00'00" W. long., and south of 65°34'00" N. lat.

Closed areas

All waters in the Bering Sea north of 54°49'00" N. lat. in Isanotski Strait that are enclosed by a line from Cape Sarichef Light (54°36'00" N. lat., 164°55'42" W. long.) to a point at 56°20'00" N. lat., 168°30'00" W. long.; thence to a point at 58°21'25" N. lat., 163°00'00" W. long.; thence to Strogonof Point (56°53'18" N. lat., 158°50'37" W. long.); and then along the northern coasts of the Alaska Peninsula and Unimak Island to the point of origin at Cape Sarichef Light.

In *Area 2A*, all waters north of Point Chehalis, WA (46°53'18" N. lat.).

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