Council Motion Seabird Deterrence in IPHC Area 4E – June 2008 Bill Tweit

The Council adopts Alternative 3, Option 1, as its preferred alternative for revised seabird deterrence requirements in IPHC Area 4E. For hook and line vessels fishing in IPHC Area 4E north of 60 degrees North latitude or east of 160 degrees West longitude, vessels ≤ 55' LOA will not be required to use seabird deterrence devices. For any hook and line vessels fishing in IPHC Area 4E south of 60 degrees North latitude and west of 160 degrees West longitude (this area is called the "STAL Subarea"), requirements for seabird deterrence devices are status quo.

The "STAL Subarea" is illustrated below (shaded and cross-hatched area of IPHC Area 4E south of 60 degrees North latitude and west of 160 degrees West longitude).

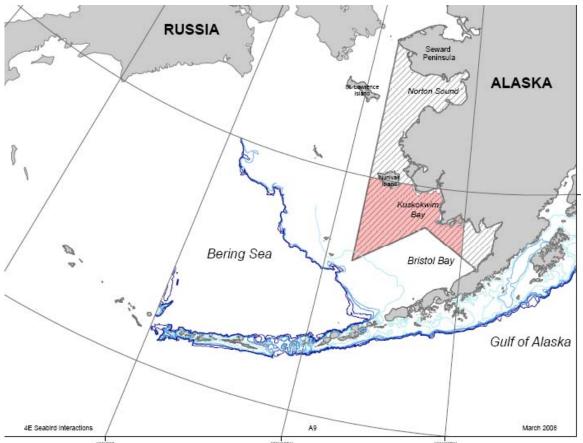


Figure 1. IFHC Area 4E shown in diagonal hatch and STAL subarea inside 4E south of 60N and west of 160W shown in pink.

0-3 nm waters are not included in the STAL area.