

Alaska Responsible Fisheries Management Program

Notice of Surveillance and Site Visit Activities

Alaska Flatfish Federal Fisheries 2nd Surveillance (2015)

13th November 2015

This Notice is to announce the 2nd surveillance audit of the Alaska Flatfish Federal Fisheries on behalf of Alaska Seafood Cooperative.

The fishery was certified Dec 2013 against the Alaska Responsible Fisheries Management Program. The objective of the surveillance audit is to confirm the conformance of the fishery by collecting and reviewing up-dates and changes from the previous year during the site visit.

The proposed Units of Assessment within the Unit of Certification are listed:

Unit of Certification				
U.S. ALASKA FLATFISH COMMERCIAL FISHERIES				
	Fish Species (Common & Scientific Name)	Geographical Location of Fishery	Gear Type	Principal Management Authority
1.	Yellowfin sole, <i>Limanda aspera</i>	Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	Non-pelagic Trawl	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC
2.	Flathead sole, <i>Hippoglossoides elassodon</i>	Gulf of Alaska, Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	Non-pelagic Trawl	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC
3.	Northern rock sole, <i>Lepidopsetta polyxstra</i>	Gulf of Alaska, Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	Non-pelagic Trawl	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC
4.	Southern rock sole, <i>Lepidopsetta bilineatus</i>	Gulf of Alaska	Non-pelagic Trawl	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC
5.	Arrowtooth flounder, <i>Atheresthes stomias</i>	Gulf of Alaska, Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	Non-pelagic Trawl	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC
6.	Kamchatka flounder, <i>Atheresthes evermanni</i>	Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	Non-pelagic Trawl	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC
7.	Alaska plaice, <i>Pleuronectes quadrituberculatus</i>	Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	Non-pelagic Trawl	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC

8.	Greenland turbot, <i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	Non-pelagic Trawl, Longline	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC
9.	Rex sole, <i>Glyptocephalus zachirus</i>	Gulf of Alaska	Non-pelagic Trawl	NOAA NMFS Alaska, NPFMC

Members of the surveillance audit team will be on site in Anchorage during the period 7th-11th December.

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