

bears north/south at 357° true from the south jetty at 46°14'00" N. lat., 124°03'07" W. long. to its intersection with the north jetty; on the north, by a line running northeast/southwest between the green lighted Buoy #7 to the tip of the north jetty (46°15'48" N. lat., 124°05'20" W. long.) and then along the north jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line; and, on the south, by a line running northeast/southwest between the red lighted Buoy #4 and tip of the south jetty (46°14'03" N. lat., 124°04'05" W. long.), and then along the south jetty to the point of intersection with the Buoy #10 line.

d. *Klamath Control Zone*: The ocean area at the Klamath River mouth bounded on the north by 41°38'48" N. lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles (11.1 km) north of the Klamath River mouth); on the west, by 124°23'00" W. long. (approximately 12 nautical miles (22.2 km) off shore); and, on the south, by 41°26'48" N. lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles (11.1 km) south of the Klamath River mouth).

C.5. *Notification When Unsafe Conditions Prevent Compliance With Regulations*: If prevented by unsafe weather conditions or mechanical problems from meeting special management area landing restrictions, vessels must notify the U.S. Coast Guard and receive acknowledgment of such notification prior to leaving the area. This notification shall include the name of the vessel, port where delivery will be made, approximate amount of salmon (by species) on board and the estimated time of arrival.

C.6. *Incidental Halibut Harvest*: During authorized periods, the operator of a vessel that has been issued an incidental halibut harvest license may retain Pacific halibut caught incidentally in Area 2A while trolling for salmon. Halibut retained must be no less than 32 inches (81.3 cm) in total length, measured from the tip of the lower jaw with the mouth closed to the extreme end of the middle of the tail, and must be landed with the head on. License applications for incidental harvest must be obtained from the International Pacific Halibut Commission (phone 206-634-1838). Applicants must apply prior to April 1 of each year. Incidental harvest is authorized only during May-June troll seasons and after June 30 if quota remains and if announced on the NMFS hotline (phone 800-662-9825). ODFW and WDFW will monitor landings. If the landings are projected to exceed the 39,300-lb. (17.8-mt) preseason allocation or the total Area 2A non-Indian commercial halibut allocation, NMFS

will take inseason action to close the incidental halibut fishery.

License holders may land no more than 1 halibut per each 3 chinook, except 1 halibut may be landed without meeting the ratio requirement, and no more than 35 halibut may be landed per trip. Halibut retained must be no less than 32 inches (81.3 cm) in total length (with head on).

A "C-shaped" yelloweye rockfish conservation area is an area to be avoided for salmon troll fishing. NMFS and the Council request that salmon trollers voluntarily avoid this area in order to protect yelloweye rockfish. The area is defined in the Pacific Council Halibut Catch Sharing Plan in the North Coast subarea (WA marine area 3), with the following coordinates in the order listed:

48°18' N. lat.; 125°18' W. long;  
48°18' N. lat.; 124°59' W. long;  
48°11' N. lat.; 124°59' W. long;  
48°11' N. lat.; 125°11' W. long;  
48°04' N. lat.; 125°11' W. long;  
48°04' N. lat.; 124°59' W. long;  
48°00' N. lat.; 124°59' W. long;  
48°00' N. lat.; 125°18' W. long;  
and connecting back to 48°18' N. lat.;  
125°18' W. long.

C.7. *Inseason Management*: In addition to standard inseason actions or modifications already noted under the season description, the following inseason guidance is provided to NMFS:

a. Any chinook remaining in the May-June non-Indian commercial troll harvest guideline north of Cape Falcon, OR may be transferred to the July-September harvest guideline on a fishery impact equivalent basis.

b. At the March 2004 meeting, the Council will consider inseason recommendations to: (1) open commercial seasons for all salmon except coho prior to May 1 in the area between Horse Mountain and Point Arena, CA and (2) identify the areas, season, quota, and special regulations for any experimental April fisheries (experimental fishery proposals must meet Council protocol and be received in November 2003).

C.8. Consistent with Council management objectives, the State of Oregon may establish additional late-season, chinook-only fisheries in state waters. Check state regulations for details.

C.9. For the purposes of California Department of Fish and Game Code, Section 8232.5, the definition of the Klamath Management Zone for the ocean salmon season shall be that area from Humbug Mountain, OR to Horse Mountain, CA.

## *Section 2. Recreational Management Measures for 2003 Ocean Salmon Fisheries*

**Note:** This section contains restrictions in parts A, B, and C that must be followed for lawful participation in the fishery.

### *A. Season Description*

#### *North of Cape Falcon, OR*

##### *U.S.-Canada Border to Cape Alava, WA (Neah Bay Area)*

June 22 through earlier of September 14 or 23,400 coho subarea quota with a subarea guideline of 3,900 chinook.

All salmon except no chum retention north of Cape Alava, WA August 1 through September 14; open 7 days per week, 2 fish per day, only one of which may be a chinook (chinook 26-inch (66.0 cm) minimum size limit) (B), plus one additional pink salmon. All retained coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. See gear restrictions (C.2). Chinook non-retention east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line (C.3.d) during Council managed ocean fishery, except chinook retention allowed July 1 through July 31. Inseason management may be used to sustain season length and keep harvest within the overall chinook recreational TAC for north of Cape Falcon, OR (C.4).

##### *Cape Alava to Queets River, WA (La Push Area)*

June 22 through earlier of September 14 or 5,750 coho subarea quota with a subarea guideline of 2,300 chinook; September 20 through earlier of October 5 or 100 coho quota or 100 chinook quota; Fishing allowed only inside an area defined by a line from Teahwhit Head (47°52'24" N. lat., 124°36'36" W. long.) northwesterly to "Q" buoy (47°53'08" N. lat., 124°40'34" W. long.) to Cake Rock (47°56'00" N. lat., 124°41'12" W. long.) then true east to the shoreline (C.5).

All salmon, open 7 days per week, 2 fish per day, only one of which may be a chinook (chinook 26-inch (66.0cm) minimum size limit)(B), plus one additional pink salmon. All retained coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. See gear restrictions (C.2). Inseason management may be used to sustain season length and keep harvest within the overall chinook recreational quota for north of Cape Falcon, OR (C.4).

##### *Queets River to Leadbetter Point, WA (Westport Area)*

June 22 through earlier of September 14 or 83,250 coho subarea quota with a subarea guideline of 40,600 chinook. Open Sunday through Thursday. All salmon, 2 fish per day, only one of