

TABLE 5.—INTERIM 2004 BERING SEA SUBAREA POLLOCK ALLOCATIONS, IN MT, TO THE COOPERATIVE AND OPEN ACCESS SECTORS OF THE INSHORE POLLOCK FISHERY—Continued

	A season TAC	A season inside SCA ¹
Total	259,002	181,301
Open access sector ..	117	² 82
Total inshore	259,119	181,383

¹ The Steller Sea Lion Conservation area (SCA) is established at § 679.22(a)(7)(vii).

² SCA limitations for vessels less than or equal to 99 ft LOA that are not participating in a cooperative will be established on an inseason basis in accordance with § 679.22(a)(7)(vii)(c)(2) which specifies that "the Regional Administrator will prohibit directed fishing for pollock by vessels catching pollock for processing by the inshore component greater than 99 ft (30.2 m) LOA before reaching the inshore SCA harvest limit during the A season to accommodate fishing by vessels less than or equal to 99 ft (30.2 m) inside the SCA for the duration of the inshore seasonal opening."

Listed AFA Catcher/Processor Sideboards

In 2003, the formula for setting AFA catcher/processor sideboard limits for non-pollock groundfish changed from calculations made for sideboard limits

in 2000 through 2002. The basis for these sideboard limits is described in detail in the final rule implementing major provisions of the AFA (67 FR 79692, December 30, 2002). The interim 2004 catcher/processor sideboard limits are set out in Table 6.

All non-pollock groundfish that is harvested by listed AFA catcher/processors, whether as targeted catch or incidental catch, will be deducted from the interim sideboard limits in Table 6. However, non-pollock groundfish that is delivered to listed catcher/processors by catcher vessels will not be deducted from the interim 2004 sideboard limits for the listed catcher/processors.

TABLE 6.—INTERIM 2004 BSAI AFA LISTED CATCHER/PROCESSOR GROUNDFISH SIDEBOARDS, IN MT

Target species	Area	1995–1997			Interim 2004 TAC available to trawl C/Ps	Interim 2004 C/P sideboard limit
		Retained catch	Available TAC	Ratio		
Pacific cod trawl	BSAI	12,424	51,450	0.241	20,724	4,994
Sablefish trawl	BS	8	1,736	0.005	283	1
	AI	0	1,135	0.000	151	0
Atka mackerel	Western AI					
	A season ¹	n/a	n/a	0.200	8,496	1,699
	HLA limit ²				5,097	0
	Central AI					
	A season ¹	n/a	n/a	0.115	12,201	1,403
	HLA limit ²				7,321	0
Yellowfin sole	BSAI	100,192	527,000	0.190	17,797	3,381
Rock sole	BSAI	6,317	202,107	0.031	9,350	290
Greenland turbot	BS	121	16,911	0.007	850	6
	AI	23	6,839	0.003	570	2
Arrowtooth flounder	BSAI	76	36,873	0.002	2,550	5
Flathead sole	BSAI	1,925	87,975	0.022	4,250	94
Alaska plaice	BSAI	3,243		0.035	2,125	74
Other flatfish	BSAI	3,243	92,428	0.035	638	22
Pacific ocean perch	BS	12	5,760	0.002	300	1
	Western AI	54	12,440	0.004	1,227	5
	Central AI	3	6,195	0.000	701	0
	Eastern AI	125	6,265	0.020	734	15
Northern rockfish	BS	8		0.008	26	0
	AI	83	13,254	0.006	1,249	7
Shortraker/rougheye	BS	8		0.008	29	0
Trawl	AI	42	2,827	0.015	53	1
Other rockfish	BS	18	1,026	0.018	204	4
	AI	22	1,924	0.011	135	1
Squid	BSAI	73	3,670	0.020	419	8
Other species	BSAI	553	65,925	0.008	6,866	55

¹ The seasonal apportionment of Atka mackerel in the open access fishery is 50 percent in the A season and 50 percent in the B season. Listed AFA catcher/processors are limited to harvesting no more than zero in the Eastern Aleutian District and Bering Sea subarea, 20 percent of the available TAC in the Western Aleutian District, and 11.5 percent of the available TAC in the Central Aleutian District.

² HLA limit refers to the amount of each seasonal allowance that is available for fishing inside the HLA (§ 679.2). In 2004, 60 percent of each seasonal allowance is available for fishing inside the HLA in the Western and Central Aleutian Districts. Pacific cod harvest by trawl gear in the Aleutian Islands HLA, west of 178 degrees W. long. is prohibited during the Atka mackerel HLA directed fisheries.

Regulations at § 679.64(a)(5) establish a formula for PSC sideboard limits for listed AFA catcher/processors. These amounts are equivalent to the percentage of PSC amounts taken in the non-pollock groundfish fisheries by the AFA catcher/processors listed in subsection 208(e) and section 209 of the

AFA from 1995 through 1997. PSC amounts taken by listed catcher/processors in BSAI non-pollock groundfish fisheries from 1995 through 1997 are shown in Table 7. These data were used to calculate the PSC catch ratios for pollock catcher/processors shown in Table 7. The 2004 interim PSC

limits available to trawl catcher/processors are multiplied by the ratios to determine the PSC sideboard limits for listed AFA catcher/processors in the 2004 interim non-pollock groundfish fisheries.

PSC that is caught by listed AFA catcher/processors participating in any