

Skate Amendment 5

Limited Access

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2019 Priorities

- ▶ Limited access – Amendment 5
 - ▶ Spring/summer/fall
- ▶ Skate specifications for FYs 2020 & 2021
 - ▶ Late summer/fall
- ▶ Annual skate monitoring report
 - ▶ Fall



Limited Access discussion

- ▶ Objectives
- ▶ Identification of directed, non-directed, and incidental components of both fisheries



Summary of permits and landings

FISH. YEAR	TOTAL PERMIT	TOTAL_LB S	TOTAL VALUE	WING PERMIT	WING_LB S	WING VALUE	BAIT PERMIT	BAIT LBS	BAIT VALUE
2003	421	16,279,061	\$2,005,322	421	16,279,061	\$2,005,322			
2004	506	29,139,849	\$4,576,634	502	23,786,712	\$4,173,148	22	5,353,137	\$403,486
2005	511	28,212,377	\$5,087,087	499	23,025,782	\$4,698,225	24	5,186,595	\$388,862
2006	520	29,667,534	\$6,512,338	518	24,715,918	\$6,107,426	25	4,951,616	\$404,912
2007	522	39,395,973	\$7,644,577	516	31,857,982	\$7,000,062	25	7,537,991	\$644,515
2008	499	36,110,966	\$6,231,808	490	28,267,845	\$5,512,798	40	7,842,894	\$719,010
2009	504	36,321,700	\$6,602,301	502	29,530,574	\$5,932,049	24	6,780,811	\$670,252
2010	490	27,816,447	\$5,172,654	475	19,364,051	\$4,191,337	54	8,452,396	\$981,317
2011	494	34,721,970	\$7,891,917	486	25,523,899	\$6,333,371	36	9,197,957	\$1,558,546
2012	464	29,242,265	\$6,163,103	455	18,776,874	\$4,799,915	30	10,465,346	\$1,363,188
2013	401	27,164,154	\$6,461,369	390	16,783,291	\$5,319,301	41	10,332,188	\$1,121,969
2014	401	31,001,944	\$8,242,850	385	22,467,773	\$7,166,253	38	8,501,192	\$1,074,170
2015	384	28,780,962	\$5,175,509	372	19,249,880	\$4,182,850	33	9,524,140	\$992,348
2016	372	26,651,231	\$4,756,200	358	18,161,598	\$3,805,030	38	8,485,768	\$951,083
2017	374	26,206,306	\$5,296,697	365	18,222,225	\$4,261,973	56	7,980,131	\$1,034,388
2018	264	12,309,469	\$2,873,347	254	9,242,931	\$2,489,316	28	3,056,238	\$369,919

Note: 2018 data are preliminary.

Bait

Time-period	Number of vessels	Live pounds (thousand)	Landed pounds (thousand)
FY2004-2008	166	46,030	45,978
FY2009-2013	162	55,404	55,064
FY2014-2018	169	48,746	48,710
Total	497	-	-
Total, no duplicates	331	150,180	149,752
Qualify FY2004-2008 Active FY2014-2016	50	111,867	111,816

Wing

Time-period	Number of vessels	Live pounds (thousand)	Landed pounds (thousand)
FY2004-2008	798	137,516	65,694
FY2009-2013	696	110,468	52,405
FY2014-2018	556	97,130	45,920
Total	2050	-	-
Total, no duplicates	1083	345,115	164,020
Qualify FY2004-2008 Active FY2014-2016	353	245,348	117,159

Preliminary qualification criteria

BAIT	Qualification	Trip Limit (lb)
Permit Category 1	LOA prior to CD + active 2014 - 2018	25,000
Permit Category 2	LOA + 50,000 lb in any 1 yr between 09-18	10,000
Permit Category 3	Incidental amounts	1,200
WING	Qualification	Trip Limit (lb)
Permit Category 1	landed 100k lb in any 1 yr between FY03-CD	TBD
Permit Category 2	landed 100k lb in any 1 yr between FY14-18	TBD
Permit Category 3	incidental	500



Preliminary bait qualifying vessels

Permit Category	Number of Vessels	Live lb	Revenue*
1	30	71,810,382	\$6,656,987
2	23	60,287,288	\$6,070,204
3	133	386,689	\$25,187
No category (X)	150	17,737,949	\$1,032,972



Preliminary wing qualifying vessels

Permit Category	Number of Vessels	Landed lb	Revenue
1	92	112,846,583	\$50,474,677
2	12	6,892,359	\$3,572,182
3	391	632,919	\$378,468
No category (X)	627	55,413,637	\$28,575,643

Future PDT work – revised qualification

Wing Limited Access	Qualification	Trip Limits
Permit Category 1	landed 100k lb in any 1 yr between FY03-CD	TBD
Permit Category 2	landed 75k lb in any 1 yr between FY03-CD	TBD
Permit Category 3	landed 50k lb in any 1 yr between FY03-CD	TBD
Permit Category 4	landed 25k lb in any 1 yr between FY03-CD	TBD
Permit Category 5	incidental	500 lb



Future PDT work - revised qualification

Wing Limited Access	Qualification	Trip Limits
Permit Category 1	landed 100k lb in any 1 yr between CD-FY18	TBD
Permit Category 2	landed 75k lb in any 1 yr between CD-FY18	TBD
Permit Category 3	landed 50k lb in any 1 yr between CD-FY18	TBD
Permit Category 4	landed 25k lb in any 1 yr between CD-FY18	TBD
Permit Category 5	incidental	500 lb



AP discussion of objectives

- ▶ The AP agreed with the following objectives derived from the scoping comments:
 - ▶ Limitation of participants could help prevent overfishing and overcapacity that would reduce the likelihood of triggering of the incidental possession limit
 - ▶ LA would protect the business and access to skates for vessels that built the fishery
 - ▶ Could improve efficiency for participating vessels – e.g. if ITQ in the wing fishery is created
 - ▶ Reduce the ability to shift effort onto skates
 - ▶ Allow some separation of bait and wing management
- ▶ **Consensus statement: Objectives for the LA amendment should include:**
 - ▶ skate wing and bait fisheries staying open year-round,
 - ▶ for skate and monkfish fisheries to be managed in harmony,
 - ▶ efficient,
 - ▶ profitable,
 - ▶ and sustainable resource.



Committee Objectives

- ▶ to include as an objective that any management measure adopted in this limited access action does not have a direct impact on any other fisheries that have interactions with skates.
- ▶ to have as an objective to identify the various fishery components that use the skate resources and to preserve, to the extent possible, through LA ongoing participation in the fishery consistent with how past utilization has occurred



Future work plan

- ▶ **Specifications**

- ▶ Stock Status Memo expected in early August
- ▶ AP/Committee will shift focus

- ▶ **Monitoring Report**

- ▶ **Limited Access**

- ▶ Objectives
- ▶ Qualification criteria
- ▶ Program design

