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Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery
2019 Pacific Halibut Catch Sharing Plan

NOAA Fisheries announces publication of the proposed rule in the Federal Register (84 FR 9281) for the 2019 Pacific halibut Catch Sharing Plan and annual management measures for Area 2A off Washington, Oregon, and California.

Comments on the proposed changes to the Catch Sharing Plan and domestic Area 2A Pacific halibut management measures must be received by March 29, 2019. The proposed rule and link to comment is available here.

The Alaska Region published a final rule in the Federal Register (84 FR 9243) with the IPHC regulations, including commercial fishing periods and catch limits applicable to Area 2A. The final rule can viewed here.