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Inseason Adjustments to Pacific Coast Groundfish Commercial Fisheries *Effective August 2, 2019*

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announces four adjustments to the 2019 commercial groundfish fishery management measures, including:

- (1) increasing the limited entry fixed gear (LEFG) trip limits for bocaccio between 40°10' N. lat. and 34° 27' N. lat.;
- (2) increasing the shorebased individual fishing quota fishery trip limits for big skate;
- (3) increasing the open access trip limits for sablefish both north and south of 36° N. lat., and
- (4) increasing the amount of Pacific halibut that vessels in the sablefish primary fishery north of Point Chehalis may take incidentally.

These adjustments were recommended to NMFS by the Pacific Fishery Management Council at its June 19-25, 2019 meeting in San Diego, California. The *Federal Register* notice describing these adjustments is currently available for [public inspection](#). The notice will publish and be effective on **August 2, 2019**.

For the full trip limit tables see: [Trawl North](#), [Trawl South](#), [LEFG N of 40°10' N. lat.](#), [LEFG S of 40°10' N. lat.](#), [OAFG N. of 40°10' N. lat.](#), and [OAFG S of 40°10' N. lat.](#)

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