

Pacific Cod Trawl Cooperative Annual Report



The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) has requested that the designated representative of each cooperative submit a voluntary annual Pacific Cod Trawl Cooperative (PCTC) Program cooperative report.

The completed PCTC annual report may be submitted to the Council by email at npfmc.admin@noaa.gov prior to the annual April Council meeting. The report may also be presented to the Council during its April meeting.

The Council requests that the PCTC annual cooperative report include information on the following:

- Cooperative quota leasing activities and any penalties issued
- Harvest of cooperative quota resulting from processor-held quota share
- Cooperative membership
- Cooperative management
- Performance including implementation of the Aleutian Islands cooperative quota set-aside when in effect.

PUBLIC REPORTING BURDEN STATEMENT

A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with an information collection subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 unless the information collection has a currently valid OMB Control Number. The approved OMB Control Number for this information collection is 0648-0678. Without this approval, we could not conduct this information collection. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 18 hours per response, including the time for reviewing the instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the information collection. All responses to this information collection are voluntary. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

AUTHORITY: The collection of this information is authorized by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq*.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the annual cooperative report is to provide information to the North Pacific Fishery Management Council and the public about the operation and performance of the cooperative.

ROUTINE USES: The annual cooperative reports are used by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council and the National Marine Fisheries Service to ensure the Pacific Cod Trawl Cooperative Program is functioning as intended and to solicit timely information on issues that may need to be addressed by the Council. The annual cooperative reports submitted to the North Pacific Fishery Management Council are not confidential. They are posted on the Council's website and are available to the public. Most of the cooperative managers present their annual reports in oral testimony to the Council.

DISCLOSURE: Providing this information is voluntary; failure to provide complete and accurate information may prevent the Council and NMFS from adequately evaluating the Pacific Cod Trawl Cooperative Program.