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| Economic Data Collection (EDC) Form  **WEST COAST GROUNDFISH**  **QUOTA SHARE OWNER SURVEY**  **2023**  NOAA Fisheries – Northwest Fisheries Science Center |

**Who is responsible for submitting:** All owners of a Quota Share permit and account in 2023.

**Complete all questions*.***If a question is not applicable, write "NA" in the answer box. The survey will not be considered complete unless there is an answer to every question.

**Submit by November 30, 2024:** *Web form submission*:Completed EDC web forms must be submitted electronically no later than November 30, 2024.

**Retain a copy:** Retain a copy of the completed form.

**More information:** www.nwfsc.noaa.gov/edc.

**Questions:** Visit the website above or contact Erin Steiner at (866) 791-3726 or NWFSC.EDC@noaa.gov.

**Public Reporting Burden Statement**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to take 8 hours per response, including time for reviewing the instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden to Erin Steiner, National Marine Fisheries Service, Northwest Fisheries Science Center, 2725 Montlake Blvd E, Seattle, WA 98112.

**Additional Information**

Before completing this form, please note the following: 1) Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number; 2) This information is mandatory and is required to manage commercial fishing efforts under 50 CFR part 660 and under section 402(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1801, *et seq.*); 3) Responses to this information request are confidential under 402(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1801, *et seq.*). They are also confidential under NOAA Administrative Order 216-100, which sets forth procedures to protect the confidentiality of fishery statistics.

**Privacy Act Statement**

The Department of Commerce Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) requires that forms used to collect Business Identifiable Information (BII) be notified of their protections under the Privacy Act.

**Authority to Collect :** All participants of the West Coast Groundfish Trawl Fishery must complete an annual Economic Data Collection (EDC) form as required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (50 CFR 660.114). **Purpose** The web-based system contains the EDC forms required to be submitted by regulation 50 CFR 660.114. Fishery participants use the system to submit EDC forms. The information is used for economic analysis of the West Coast Groundfish Trawl Fishery. **Routine Uses:**  The data submitted are confidential under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and NOAA Administrative Order 216-100. Disclosure of this information is permitted under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a), to be shared within NMFS offices, for use in economic analysis of the West Coast Groundfish Trawl Fishery. Disclosure of this information is also subject to all of the published routine uses as identified in and managed as identified in the Privacy Act System of Records Notice COMMERCE/NOAA-23. The individual level data will only be studied by NMFS employees or their contractors. **Disclosure:** Furnishing this information is mandatory. Failure to provide accurate information may prevent renewal of limited entry trawl permits or first receiver site licenses, changes in vessel registration, and/or participation in the West Coast Groundfish Trawl Fishery; or result in a violation of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act or regulations promulgated under the Act.

**Question 1**

Is this quota share account solely owned by a Not-for-Profit, Government Entity, Trust, Estate, and/or Publicly Held Corporation?

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| Yes |  |  | *Skip to Question 3* |  |
| No |  |  | *Continue to Question 2* |  |

**Question 2**

For each owner/partial owner of this quota share permit, write the owner name in the top row of the matrix on the next page and mark a "Y" in each box where the corresponding description accurately describes the owner listed in the column. If filling out "Y" in the "Other" category, write out description on following page, indicating person by name and providing the relevant information. If more space is needed, please print additional pages.

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| **Questions** | Jan Harris (example) | Pat Harris (example) |  |  |  |  |
| Owner of a vessel that fished[[1]](#footnote-2) on the West Coast in 2023 | Y |  |  |  |  |  |
| Owner of a vessel or permit only used in Alaska |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vessel operator or crew member that fished in the IFQ Program in 2023 |  | Y |  |  |  |  |
| Vessel operator or crew member that fished on the West Coast in 2023 |  | Y |  |  |  |  |
| Owner of a fish dealer or shorebased processor in 2023 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employee of a fish dealer or shorebased processor in 2023 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other employee of a fishing business or vessel, including manager or bookkeeper |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Owner of fishing vessel that did not fish in 2023, but may fish in the future |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Retired vessel operator or crew member in 2023 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vessel operator or crew member who did not fish in 2023 but plans to fish in the future |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Previous owner of a fishing vessel, dealer or shorebased processor |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Deceased |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Family[[2]](#footnote-3) member of any of the above | Y | Y |  |  |  |  |
| No affiliation with fishing industry |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Affiliation unknown |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No longer an owner of this Quota Share permit |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other role in fishing industry or fishing-related industry[[3]](#footnote-4), specify on the next page |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Explanation of “Other” selections:**

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**Question 3**

Part A

3.A. Did you receive any *monetary compensation* for leasing quota pounds associated with this quota share account in 2023?

* *Monetary compensation* includes cash sale transactions, contract-based transactions where arrangements are made for future monetary compensation.
* *Non-monetary compensation* includes barter, self-trade, and any other arrangement that does not involve any current or future promise of monetary payment.

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| Yes |  |  | *Continue to Part B* |  |
| No |  |  | *Continue to Certification* |  |

Part B

3.B.a Provide the total quota pound lease earnings for this permit in 2023.

Include:

* Gross amounts from all monetary payments, including sales, contracts, etc.
* Any earnings occurring after self-trades (i.e. at the point the quota leaves the company).

Do not include:

* Estimates of value of barters or self-trades of quota pounds
* Earnings already recorded on a 2023 EDC Catcher Vessel form, i.e. earnings received by a vessel for leasing out quota
* Earnings already recorded on a 2023 EDC First Receiver and Shorebased Processor form; i.e. earnings received by a company for leasing out quota

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| **Quota lease revenue** | |
| a. | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

3.B.b How much did you record for leasing quota pounds in 2023 on an EDC form.[[4]](#footnote-5) If you did not record any quota earnings on an EDC form or did not complete an EDC form, write “NA.”

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| **EDC quota lease revenue** | |
| b. | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |

3.B.c The sum of the two values (box a and box b) should equal the total earnings from leasing quota in 2023. Is the sum of those two values the total amount that was received for leasing quota in 2023?

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| Yes |  |  | *Skip to Certification* |  |
| No |  |  | *Continue to Part C* |  |

Part C

3.C. If you answered “No” in Part B, please provide an explanation below:

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1. Fishing includes shellfish/harvesting. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. Family is defined as spouse, party to a civil union, parents, children, and siblings (13 CFR § 121.103(F)) [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. Fishing-related industries include net suppliers, gear suppliers, equipment suppliers, fuel, shipyards, repair services, etc." [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. You can access your previous EDC submissions here: <https://www.webapps.nwfsc.noaa.gov/apex/ifq/f?p=120>. Please contact the EDC Program if you need information about how to login. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)