



## **Bering Sea Pollock Fishery Incentive Plan Agreement (IPA) Annual Report**

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Each IPA is required to submit an annual report to the Council by April 1st of the following year under a set of reporting requirements provided in the Amendment 91 regulations.

The IPA report is the primary tool through which the Council evaluates the effectiveness of the IPA concept in reducing Chinook salmon bycatch in the Bering Sea pollock fishery. Information gathered through the annual reports is necessary for the Council to evaluate the salmon bycatch management measures and to provide the public with information about how the programs operate and bycatch reduction under these programs.

The Council makes the annual report available to the public; the IPA reports are posted on the NMFS Alaska Region website at

Inshore (<http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sustainablefisheries/afa/coopreports/2013/inshoreipa.pdf>)

Mothership

<http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sustainablefisheries/afa/coopreports/2013/mothershipipa.pdf>

Catcher/processor

<http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/sustainablefisheries/afa/coopreports/2013/cpipa.pdf>

Each Bering Sea Pollock Fishery IPA Annual Report must include the following information:

- Incentive measures in effect in the previous year.

- How incentive measures affected individual vessels

- How incentives measures affected salmon savings beyond current levels

- IPA amendments approved by NMFS since the last annual report and the reasons for amendments

- Sub-allocation to each participating vessel

- Number of Chinook salmon PSC and amount of pollock (mt) at the start of each fishing season

- Number of Chinook salmon PSC and amount of pollock (mt) caught at the end of each season

- In-season transfers among entities of Chinook salmon PSC or pollock among AFA cooperatives

- Date of transfer

- Name of transferor

- Name of transferee

- Number of Chinook salmon PSC transferred

- Amount of pollock (mt) transferred

- Transfers among IPA vessels, provide:

- Date of transfer;

- Name of transferor;

- Name of transferee;

- Number of Chinook salmon PSC transferred

- Amount pollock (mt) transferred.

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