

# **Fishery Status and Proposed Regulation Changes for the 2014-15 Pacific Herring Commercial Fishery**

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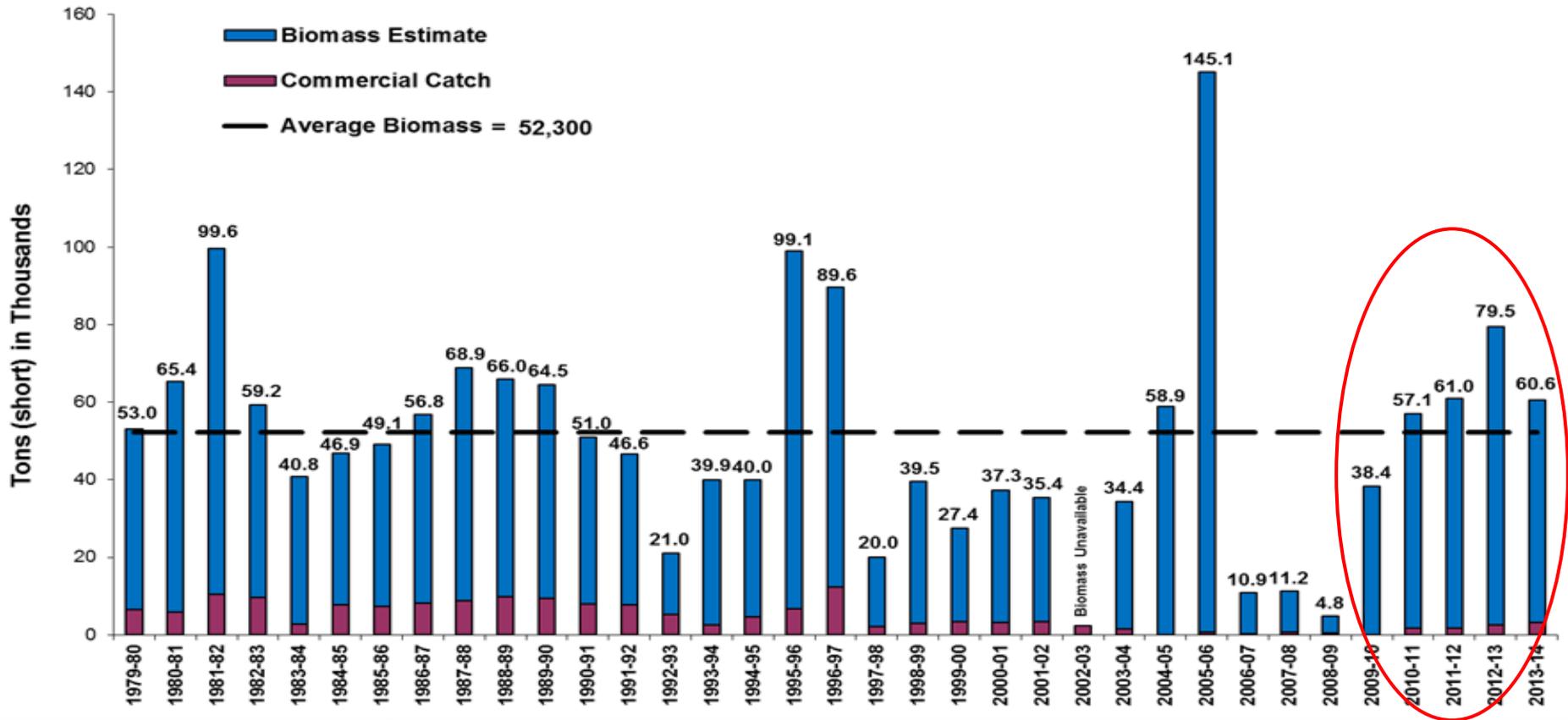
# Overview

-  **San Francisco Bay spawning herring population summary**
-  **Provide a commercial fishery summary**
-  **Present proposed amendments to Sections 163 & 164, Title 14 CCR**

# Status of the Herring Population

## San Francisco Bay

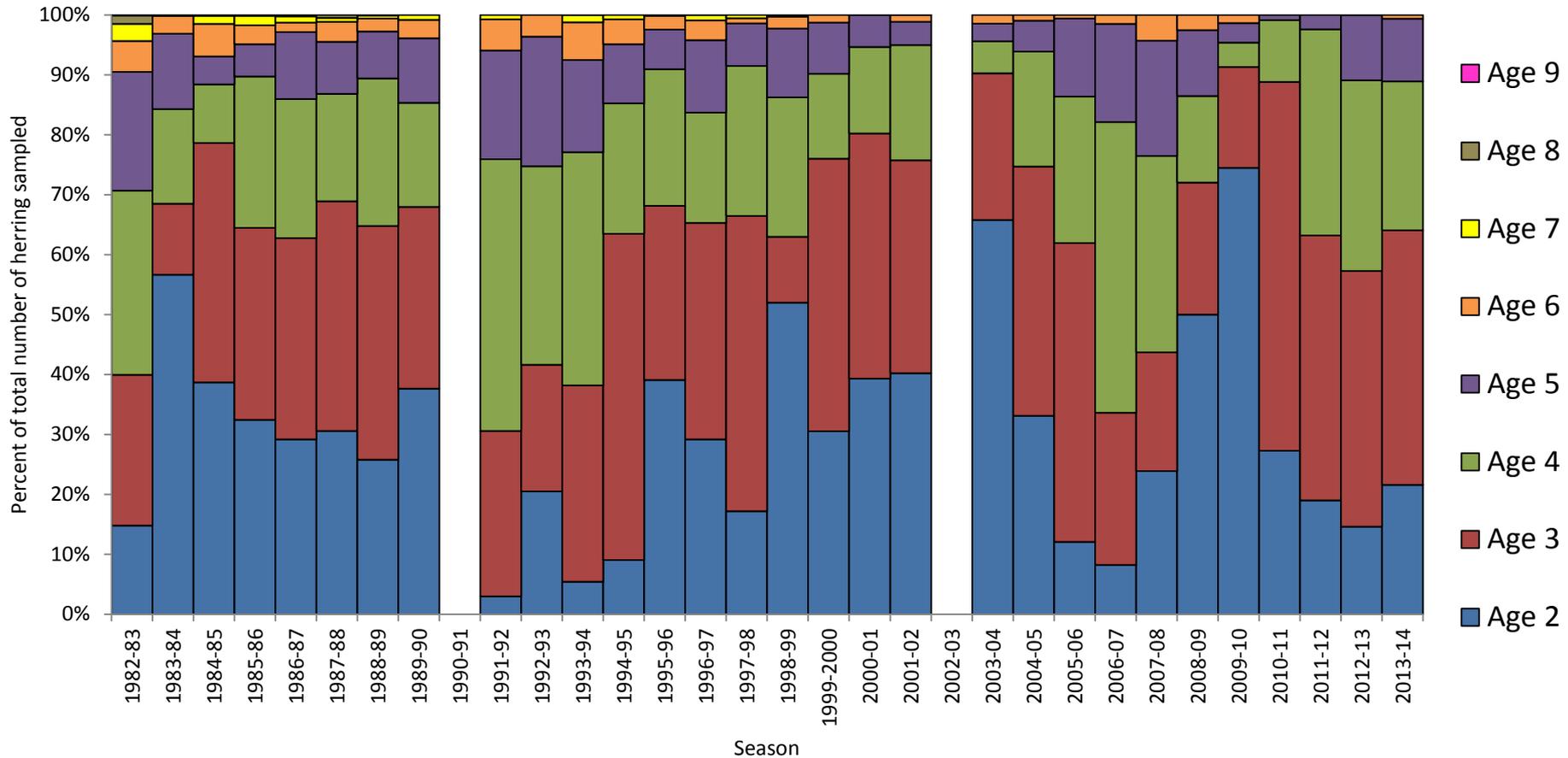
- 🐟 2013-14 spawning biomass estimate = 60,600 tons
- 🐟 Fifth consecutive year of positive conditions



# Status of the Herring Population

## San Francisco Bay

-  Continued recruitment of older age classes
-  More balanced distribution (lacking 6+)



# CA Commercial Herring Fishery 2013-14 Summary

 **San Francisco fleet caught 3,200 tons**

 **Herring eggs on kelp (HEOK) made no landings**

 **Tomales Bay, Humboldt Bay and Crescent City Area fisheries- inactive**

# Proposed Regulations

## 2014-15 Commercial Fishery

-  Set San Francisco Bay quota between 0 and 10%  
(4.1% recommended = 2,500 tons)
-  Zero ton or status quo quota options for  
Tomales, Humboldt and Crescent City fisheries
-  Minor form changes for HEOK fishery  
(status quo recommended)



# Summary

## Population Status and Commercial Fishery

-  SF Bay biomass = 60,600 tons
-  Continued recruitment of older age classes
-  Low harvest targets ~ 95% as forage reserve

## Proposed Regulations

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# QUESTIONS

Thank you

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