

Recreational Groundfish Fishery: Proposed Changes for 2015-2016

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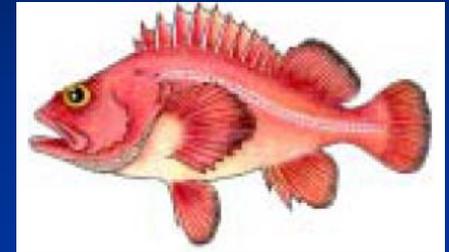


Changes for 2015-2016 Harvest Guidelines

Yelloweye rockfish

2013-2014 HG = 3.4 metric tons (mt)

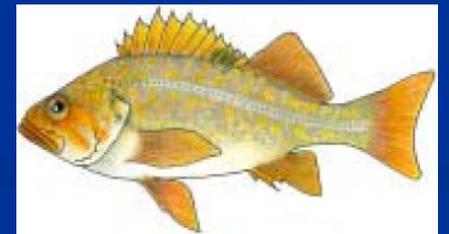
2015-2016 HG = 3.4 mt/3.7 mt



Canary rockfish

2013-2014 HG = ~23 mt

2015-2016 HG = ~25 mt



Bocaccio

2013-2014 HG = 170 mt

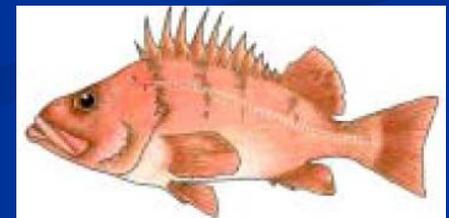
2015-2016 HG = ~182 mt



Cowcod

2014 Non-trawl allocation = 1.9 mt

2015-2016 Non-trawl allocation = 2.6 mt



2015-2016 Regulations

| Management Area | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | # of mo. Increase |
|-----------------|--------|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|-----|-------------------|
| Northern | Closed | | | | | May 15 - Oct 31 < 20 fm | | | | | Closed | SQ | |
| Mendocino | Closed | | | | | May 15 - Oct 31 < 20 fm | | | | | Closed | 2 | |
| San Francisco | Closed | | | | Apr 15 - Dec 31 < 30 fm | | | | | | | | 1.5 |
| Central | Closed | | | Apr 1 - Dec 31 < 40 fm | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Southern | Closed | Mar 1 - Dec 31 < 60 fm | | | | | | | | | | SQ | |

Depth – status quo except:

- Southern – increase from 50 fm to 60 fm

2015-2016 Regulations (cont.)

Bag limits - status quo except:

- Increase lingcod from two to three fish
- Reduce black rockfish to five fish within the overall 10 fish limit for rockfish, cabezon, greenling

California scorpionfish:

- Reduce season length
- Open January-August; closed September - December

Questions?



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