



Acronyms & Abbreviations Commonly Used in the NPFMC Process

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Acronym/Abbreviation	Meaning
AAC	Alaska Administrative Code
ABC	Acceptable biological catch
ABM	Abundance-Based Management
ACL	Annual Catch Limit
ACT	Annual Catch Target
ADFG	Alaska Department of Fish and Game
ADP	Annual Deployment Plan
AEQ	Adult equivalent
AFA	American Fisheries Act
AFSC	Alaska Fisheries Science Center
AI	Aleutian Islands
AK BOF	Alaska Board of Fisheries
AKFIN	Alaska Fisheries Information Network
AKR	Alaska Region
AKRO	Alaska Regional Office
ANILCA	Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act
AP	Advisory Panel
BASIS	Bering Sea-Aleutian Salmon International Survey
BBRKC	Bristol Bay Red King Crab
BEG	Biological escapement goal
BiOp	Biological Opinion
BKC	Blue King Crab
BOF	Board of Fish
BSAI	Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands
BSFRF	Bering Sea Fisheries Research Foundation
BSIERP	Bering Sea Integrated Ecosystem Research Program
CAS	Catch Accounting System
CDQ	Community Development Quota
CEC	Community Engagement Committee
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CGOA	Central Gulf of Alaska
CH	Critical Habitat
CIE	Center for Independent Experts
COAR	Commercial Operators Annual Report
COBLZ	<i>C. opilio</i> Bycatch Limitation Zone
Council	North Pacific Fishery Management Council
CP	Catcher/processor
CQE	Community Quota Entity
CV	Catcher vessel
CVOA	Catcher vessel operational area
CWT	Coded-wire tag
DPS	Distinct population segment
E.O.	Executive Order
EA	Environmental Assessment
EAM	Ecosystem approach to management
EBFM	Ecosystem Based Fisheries Management

ECO	Ecosystem Committee
EDR	Economic Data Reporting
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone
EFH	Essential Fish Habitat
EFP	Exempted Fishing Permit
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EM	Electronic monitoring
EMC	Electronic Monitoring Committee
ESA	Endangered Species Act
ESP	Ecological and Socioeconomic Profile
ESU	Evolutionary Significant Unit
FATE	Fisheries and the Environment
FEP	Fishery Ecosystem Plan
FLL	Freezer longliner
FMA	AFSC Fisheries Monitoring and Analysis Division (aka the Observer Program)
FMAC	Fishery Monitoring Advisory Committee
FMP	Fishery Management Plan
FONSI	Finding of No Significant Impact
FR	Federal Register
FRFA	Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
GHL	Guideline Harvest Level
GKC	Golden King Crab
GOA	Gulf of Alaska
HAPC	Habitat Areas of Particular Concern
IBA	Individual Bycatch Accounting
IBQ	Individual Bycatch Quota
ICA	Inter-cooperative Agreements
ICC	Intergovernmental Consultive Committee
ID	Identification
IFQ	Individual Fishing Quota
IPA	Incentive Plan (Program) Agreements
IPHC	International Pacific Halibut Commission
IPQ	Individual Processor Quotas
IQF	Individually quick frozen
IRFA	Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
IRIU	Improved retention/improved utilization
JAM	Jeopardy or adverse modification
LAMP	Local Area Management Plan
LEI	Long-term effect index
LK	Local Knowledge
LLP	License limitation program
LOA	Length overall
m	Meter or meters
MBTA	Migratory Bird Treaty Act
MCA	Maximum Commerce Amount
Magnuson-Stevens Act	Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act
MMPA	Marine Mammal Protection Act
MPA	Marine Protected Area
MRA	Maximum retainable allowance
MSA	Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act
MSST	Minimum stock size threshold
MSY	Maximum sustainable yield
mt	Metric ton
NAO	NOAA Administrative Order
NBBTA	Northern Bristol Bay Trawl Area
NBSRA	Northern Bering Sea Research Area

NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
nm	Nautical miles
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
NOAA	National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration
NOI	Notice of Intent
NPAFC	North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission
NPFMC	North Pacific Fishery Management Council
NPPSD	North Pacific Pelagic Seabird Database
NSRKC	Norton Sound Red King Crab
Observer Program	North Pacific Groundfish Observer Program
OEG	Optimal escapement goal
OLE	Office of Law Enforcement
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OY	Optimum Yield
PBR	Potential biological removal
PEEC	Preview of Economic and Ecological Conditions
PIBKC	Pribilof Island Blue King Crab
PIGKC	Pribilof Island Golden King Crab
PIHCZ	Pribilof Islands Habitat Conservation Zone
PIRKC	Pribilof Islands Red King Crab
POP	Pacific ocean perch
PPA	Preliminary preferred alternative
PRA	Paperwork Reduction Act
PSC	Prohibited Species Catch
PSEIS	Programmatic Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement
PSMFC	Pacific States Marines Fisheries Commission
PT	Plan Team
PWS	Prince William Sound
REFM	Resource Ecology Fisheries Management
RFA	Regulatory Flexibility Act
RFFA	Reasonably foreseeable future action
RIR	Regulatory Impact Review
RKC	Red King Crab
ROFR	Right of First Refusal
RPA	Reasonable and prudent alternative
RQE	Recreational Quota Entity
RSW	Refrigerated seawater
SAFE	Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation
SAR	Stock Assessment Report
SBA	Small Business Act
SBRM	Standard Bycatch Reporting Methodology
SOC	Secretary of Commerce
SEG	Sustainable escapement goal
SET	Sustainable escapement threshold
SIA	Social Impact Assessment
SIR	Supplemental Information Report
SMBKC	St. Matthews Blue King Crab
SNP	Single nucleotide polymorphism
SPLASH	Structure of Populations, Levels of Abundance, and Status of Humpbacks
SRKW	Southern resident killer whales
SSC	Scientific and Statistical Committee
SSFP	Sustainable Salmon Fisheries Policy
SSL	Steller sea lion
SW	Southwest
TAC	Total Allowable Catch
TK	Traditional Knowledge

TLA	Trawl Limited Access
TLAS	Trawl Limited Access Sector
U.S.	United States of America
USCG	United States Coast Guard
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
VMS	Vessel Monitoring System
W	West
WGOA	Western Gulf of Alaska
YFS	Yellowfin sole

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