Council Motion on Gulf of Alaska (GOA) Rationalization Community Provisions
June 5, 2005

The Council adopted the GOA Rationalization Community Committee recommendations as outlined in the staff report from the March 30, 2005 committee meeting with the following changes:

Community Fisheries Quota (CFQ) Program

C 1.1 Administrative Entity

If Option 2 Suboption 1 or Option 3 is selected, the CFQ for a specific management area (WG, CG, WY) would be initially allocated to the management entity representing communities located in that area based on: 1) equal basis and/or 2) population. No more than 50% of the CFQ for any area can be allocated to the entity on an equal basis.

C 1.2 Board Representation of the Administrative Entity

Option 3 (Applicable with C 1.1, Option 1): The makeup of the administrative entity’s Board of Directors shall reflect population, local participants’ harvest history, and geography.

C 1.3 Eligible Communities

Option 3. Historic Participation in Groundfish Fisheries

a. Communities with residents having any commercial permit and fishing activity as documented by CFEC in the last 10 years (1993-2002)

b. a. Communities with residents having any groundfish commercial permit and fishing activity as documented by CFEC in the last ten years (1993-2002)

Option 4. GOA (WG, CG, WY) communities eligible under GOA Am. 66 are eligible

C 1.11 Use of Lease Proceeds by Administrative Entity

Use of lease proceeds is restricted to administrative expenses, and:

Option 1. and purchase of additional GOA groundfish quota shares

Option 2. and fisheries related investments

Option 3. and investments in the economic development and social well being of member communities

Option 4. and distribution to member community CQEs

C 1.15 Administrative Oversight

A report submitted to NMFS and the NPFMC detailing the use of QS by the administrative entity. The required elements and timing of the report will be outlined in regulation.

Community Purchase Program

C 2.4 Administrative Oversight

A report submitted to NMFS and the NPFMC detailing the use of QS by the administrative entity. The required elements and timing of the report will be outlined in regulation.

Additionally, the Council requests that staff provide community groundfish catch data (excluding IFQ sablefish). The Council is notifying the public that after reviewing catch data, a minimum landing threshold may be added to address community groundfish dependency.

The Council recommends the continued work of the GOA Rationalization Community Committee when additional data is available.