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## Council Adopts Total Allowable Catch Levels for Groundfish

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council adopted final total allowable catch (TAC) levels for 2013 groundfish but not without some debate surrounding Bering Sea – Aleutian Islands pollock.

The final TAC for BSAI pollock was 1.266 million tons. That’s more than what was caught during the previous year (1.204 million tons) and an increase over the 1.205 million tons TAC set in 2012. The Council settled on an amount that went beyond the TAC recommendation presented to the panel by scientists and fishermen from the area. The vote was 10 to 1. Now it’s up to the U.S. Commerce Secretary to approve the TACS.

Here are the 2013 groundfish specs for the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands and the Gulf of Alaska:

### Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands:

Species	TAC	Increase/Decrease from 2012
Eastern Bering Sea pollock	1,247,000 tons	3.9% increase
Aleutian Islands pollock	19,000 tons	No change
Pacific cod	260,000 tons	0.4% decrease
Yellowfin sole	198,000 tons	2% decrease
Pacific Ocean perch	35,100 tons	42.1% increase
Atka Mackerel	25,920 tons	48.9% decrease
Sablefish	3,720 tons	13.1% decrease

## Gulf of Alaska:

Species	TAC	Increase/Decrease from 2012
Pollock	121,046 tons	4% increase
Pacific cod	60,600 tons	7.8% decrease
Pacific Ocean perch	16,412 tons	3% decrease
Sablefish	12,510 tons	3.5% decrease

Visit the link below for more information:

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