

IPHC Catch Limit Comment Form

Comment on Regulatory Area: 2A/2B/2C/3A/3B/4A/4B/4C/DE Year: 2008
(Circle all that apply)

Submission Information (Please print or type)

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1. What is your recommended catch limit or proposal?

It would like to see the Commission continue to use the closed-area stock assessment methodology.

2. What is the supporting information for this recommendation (e.g., catch rates, biomass trends, recruitment, etc.)? Please be specific where possible.

We never have a problem with quota reduction based on biology and conservation. The problem with the staff recommended coast-wide approach is a socio-economic issue. Simply put, many fishermen, including of course myself, will be severely impacted economically if the new approach is adopted.

Please attach any other supporting materials. All items submitted by December 31, 2007 will be considered at the IPHC Annual Meeting. *Remember to include contact information and signature.*