

loss of employment, but again, we are unable to factor such costs into this analysis because the economic effects are so speculative.

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this regulation was reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

List of Subjects in 42 CFR Part 493

Grant programs—health, Health facilities, Laboratories, Medicaid, Medicare, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

42 CFR part 493 would be amended as set forth below:

PART 493—LABORATORY REQUIREMENTS

1. The authority citation for part 493 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Sec. 353 of the Public Health Service Act, secs. 1102, 1861(e), the sentence following 1861(s)(11), 1861(s)(12), 1861(s)(13), 1861(s)(14), 1861(s)(15), and 1861(s)(16) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 263a, 1302, 1395x(e), the sentence following 1395x(s)(11), 1395x(s)(12), 1395x(s)(13), 1395x(s)(14), 1395x(s)(15), and 1395x(s)(16)).

2. Section 493.855, paragraph (b) introductory text is revised to read as follows:

§ 493.855 Standard; Cytology: gynecologic examinations.

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(b) The laboratory must ensure that each individual participates in an annual testing event that involves the examination of a 10-slide test set as described in § 493.945. Individuals who fail this testing event are retested with another 10-slide test set as described in paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section. Individuals who fail this second test are subsequently retested with a 20-slide test set as described in paragraphs (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this section. Individuals are given not more than 45 minutes to complete a 10-slide test and not more than 90 minutes to complete a 20-slide test. Unexcused failure to appear by an individual for a retest will result in test failure with resulting remediation and limitations on slide examination as specified in (b)(1), (b)(2), and (b)(3) of this section.

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.778, Medical Assistance Program; Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance; and Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: November 21, 1995.

Helen Smits,
Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

Dated: November 21, 1995.

Frances Lee de Peyster,
Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Washington Office.

Dated: November 21, 1995.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Parts 611, 672, and 676

[Docket No. 95111 3267-5267-01; I.D. 110295B]

Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska; Limited Access; Foreign Fishing; Proposed 1996 Harvest Specifications

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed 1996 initial specifications for groundfish; apportionment of reserves; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS proposes initial harvest specifications for groundfish and associated management measures in the Gulf of Alaska (GOA) for the 1996 fishing year. This action is necessary to carry out management objectives contained in the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP).

DATES: Comments must be received by December 29, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be sent to Ronald J. Berg, Chief, Fisheries Management Division, Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668, Attn: Lori Gravel.

The preliminary Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) Report, dated September 1995, is available from the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kaja Brix, 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The domestic and foreign groundfish fisheries in the exclusive economic zone

of the GOA are managed by NMFS according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska. The FMP was prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) under the authority of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The FMP is implemented by regulations for the foreign fishery at 50 CFR part 611 and for the U.S. fisheries at 50 CFR parts 672, 676, and 677. General regulations that also pertain to the U.S. fisheries appear at 50 CFR part 620.

This action proposes for the 1996 fishing year: (1) Specifications of total allowable catch (TAC) for each groundfish target species category in the GOA and apportionments thereof among domestic annual processing (DAP), joint venture processing (JVP), total allowable level of foreign fishing (TALFF), and reserves; (2) apportionments of reserves to DAP; (3) apportionments of the sablefish TAC to vessels using hook-and-line and trawl gear; (4) apportionments of pollock and Pacific cod TAC; (5) "other species" TAC; (6) halibut prohibited species catch (PSC) limits; and (7) fishery and seasonal allocations of the halibut PSC limits.

Comments on the proposed 1996 specifications and proposed apportionments of reserves are invited from the public through December 29, 1995. After again consulting with the Council, NMFS will publish final specifications for the 1996 fishing year in the Federal Register.

Regulations at § 672.20(c)(1)(ii)(A) require that one-fourth of the preliminary or proposed specifications (not including the reserves and the first quarterly allowance of pollock), one-fourth of the inshore and offshore allocations of Pacific cod in each regulatory area, and one-fourth of the halibut PSC amounts become effective at 0001 hours, Alaska local time, January 1, on an interim basis, and remain in effect until superseded by the final harvest specifications.

NMFS is publishing, in the Rules and Regulations section of this Federal Register issue, interim TAC specifications and apportionments thereof for the 1996 fishing year that will become available 0001 hours, A.l.t., January 1, 1996, and remain in effect until superseded by the final 1996 harvest specifications.

1. Proposed Establishment of TAC Amounts and Apportionments Thereof Among DAP, JVP, TALFF, and Reserves

Under § 672.20(c)(1)(ii), NMFS, after consultation with the Council, publishes in the Federal Register proposed specifications of annual TAC