

CBSFA

Central Bering Sea Fishermen's Association

Community Development Plan (CDP) for
1998-2000 Multi-Species Community Development Quota (CDQ) Program
First Quarter 2000 Report

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I. Quarterly Highlights – 1st Quarter

- The CBSFA Board of Directors approved acquiring a 2.8% stake in American Seafoods Group L.L.C.
- On March 14, CBSFA held a meeting with the halibut fishermen to discuss a new Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the upcoming halibut season. Later in March the CBSFA Board approved the issuance of an RFP to solicit new processor/buyer proposals for our halibut fishery.
- CBSFA signed a contract with Icicle Seafoods. Icicle Seafoods will process all crab for CBSFA in the year 2000.
- Two board members taught Junior Achievement classes to junior high school students. Junior Achievement brings business and economics into the classroom.
- Fourteen scholarships were awarded to students attending college.
- Three grants were awarded to students attending AVTEC.

II. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

A. PROGRESS TOWARD MULTI-SPECIES GOALS, OBJECTIVES, PROJECTS, AND MILESTONES

Goal 1: Develop the Small Boat Harbor

Objective: Continue leadership role in this regional infrastructure project.

Milestone 1: *Work with other entities to identify Local Share funding approximately June 2000*

Status: Ongoing.

Milestone 2: *Issue construction RFP by approximately September 2000*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 3: *Begin dredging by approximately June 2001*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 4: *Small Boat Harbor open approximately June 2003*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Goal 2: Acquire Pollock Industry Assets

Objective: Identify and make strategic investments

Milestone 1: *Conduct new feasibility study to determine strategic opportunities by Q1 2000*

Status: This milestone has been met. During the course of our American Seafoods due diligence we met with several other pollock processors and discussed their plans for St. Paul and how we may be able to work with them. Although there is some interest concerning the movement of an AFA qualified processing platform to St. Paul a few years from now, there were no other immediate opportunities that made economic sense.

Milestone 2: *Short list opportunities, conduct due diligence*

Status: The milestone has been met. Our short-list was reduced to one opportunity – the acquisition of a 2.8% stake in American Seafoods Group LLC. Due diligence was conducted and that information is incorporated into Substantial Amendment 00-03.

Milestone 3: *Make final determination, develop business plans, amend CDP and make acquisitions in late 2000.*

Status: CBSFA is in the process of acquiring a 2.8% stake in American Seafoods Group LLC. The CDP was amended (Substantial Amendment 00-03).

Goal 3: Direct Investment in Strategic Fisheries & Vertical Industries

Objective: Economic growth and diversification by expanding our active participation in crab and groundfish fisheries in a diversified and prudent manner.

Project: Misty Islands Seafoods

Milestone 1: *Analyze additional processing and marketing opportunities*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 2: *Develop a “Misty Islands” brand marketing strategy*

Status: This milestone is under review. The opilio crisis has led to the suspension of all MIS Live Crab operations, which until now was the core business of MIS. The current Halibut RFP process may result in a new MIS initiative and the development of a Brand Strategy, but until that process is complete this milestone is under review.

Milestone 3: *Operate profitably during all 2000-crab fisheries*

Status: This milestone has been suspended. The opilio crab crisis has resulted in the suspension of MIS live crab operations. At the current supply level the markets will not support this business.

Project: F/V Zolotoi

Milestone 1: *Obtain consistent cash on cash return on investment*

Status: The 2000 Bering Sea opilio crab season was delayed because of unusual sea ice conditions. In a quarter 1 meeting with all of the partners, a Business Plan was presented for the Zolotoi to meet the challenges of the reduced opilio harvest levels and the limitations being placed upon the P Cod fishery. If the vessel can perform in accordance with the Business Plan, a small return on investment should be achieved.

Milestone 2: *Employ CBSFA members on board, two fisheries annually*

Status: One CBSFA member was employed aboard the F/V Zolotoi in quarter one. He participated in the open access P Cod fishery and a NMFS survey. It is anticipated that he will continue working aboard the F/V Zolotoi during the open access and CDQ C. *Opilio* fishery.

Project: F/V Ocean Cape

Milestone 1: *Complete sponsoring in time for late 1999 fisheries*

Status: The sponsoring of the F/V Ocean Cape was completed in December 1999. It was not completed in time to participate in the Bristol Bay King Crab Fishery.

Milestone 2: *Obtain consistent cash on cash return on investment*

Status: The 2000 Bering Sea opilio crab season was delayed because of unusual sea ice conditions. In a quarter 1 meeting with all of the partners, a Business Plan was presented for the Ocean Cape to meet the challenges of the reduced opilio harvest levels and the limitations being placed upon the P Cod fishery. If the vessel can perform in accordance with the Business Plan, a small return on investment should be achieved.

Milestone 3: *Employ CBSFA members on board, two fisheries annually*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Project: Freezer / Longliner Investment

Milestone 1: *Continue negotiations with current potential partner*

Status: Although some investment discussions have taken place, the current Bering Sea opilio crisis and the challenges it presents to CBSFA makes this investment opportunity a low priority until after the 2001 allocation process.

Milestone 2: *Analyze additional investments during 2000*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 3: *If feasibility is proven, make additional acquisitions in 2000*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Goal 4: Development of Local Fisheries

Objective: Remove obstacles to growth, and create support programs for the development of local fisheries.

Project: Vessel & Gear Loans, IFQ Loans, Business Loans

Milestone 1: *Annually review loan performance and budgets*

Status: The majority of loans are current with the exception of several accounts and we are in the process of reviewing our options with these loans, including updating our procedures. To date we have not put out any business loans. Due to the reduction in crab quotas and revenues, we have reduced funding for these programs in the 2000 budget.

On December 21, 1999, the loan committee held a meeting. During this meeting CBSFA Executive Office Manager, Rena Kudrin reviewed loan performance and budgets.

On March 31, 2000, management met with Financial Manager, Tom Crandell, to develop a spreadsheet on our boat and gear loans. The spreadsheet is used to analyze each account to determine what percentage of the entire outstanding balance is collectable. Because of this review, management may recommend revisions to the Agreement for the Sale of Fish Receipts on those accounts that are delinquent or in default.

Also, in March 2000, the 1999 Independent Audit by KPMG took place. The report will include the status of our loan program. CBSFA board members will review this report. The CBSFC loan committee is scheduled to meet again in the next 30 days to review loan applications.

Project: Support Development of Local Fisheries

- Milestone 1: *Manage halibut fishery to achieve annual harvest and participation goals*
Status: On March 14, CBSFA held a meeting with the halibut fishermen to discuss a new Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the upcoming halibut season. Later in March the CBSFA Board approved the issuance of an RFP to solicit new processor/buyer proposals for our halibut fishery. CBSFA received five competitive bids and is currently negotiating final agreements with two buyers/processors.
- Milestone 2: *Implement program to conduct Experimental Fisheries in 2000*
Status: No activity in Quarter 1.
- Milestone 3: *Implement plan to use local fleet to harvest Pacific Cod in 2000*
Status: During quarter 1, CBSFA reviewed this opportunity and incorporated a cod processing and buying provision in the CDQ halibut RFP to begin creating a new opportunity for the local fleet. The large price difference between halibut and cod leads us to believe not many fishermen will target cod this year, but a market will be established for cod whether it is caught as halibut by-catch or through a targeted effort.
- Milestone 4: Contingent on ADF&G, implement plan to use local fleet to harvest hair *crab*.
Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Project: Vessel Support Program

- Milestone 1: *Annually deploy and retrieve floating dock system*
Status: The local crane CBSFA uses for the floating docks deployment was involved in an accident and the boom was severely damaged.
- Milestone 2: *Establish interim operating agreement for vessel launch and retrieval operations with crane owner / operator*
Status: Discussions with the crane owner about repairing the damaged crane are occurring.

Project: Acquire Vessel Launch & Retrieval System

Milestone 1: *Conduct Needs Assessment*

Status: Discussions with the City of St. Paul about improving the current boat ramp to accommodate larger vessels are occurring.

Milestone 2: *Conduct due diligence for acquisition and operations, late 2000*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 3: *Take action consistent with due diligence and progress of Small Boat Harbor Project in 2001*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Project: Vessel Repair & Maintenance Program

Milestone 1: *Annually identify local vessel repair & maintenance needs, issue RFP, conduct program.*

Status: During several informal meetings with fishermen and CBSFA Management, a decision was made not to proceed with the project at this time because the demands for vessel repair were relatively low this year, and facilitating a project was too expensive per capita(vessel).

Project: Acquire Vessel Repair & Maintenance Facility

Milestone 1: *Conduct Needs Assessment by mid-2000*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 2: *Develop building plan including construction finance, land acquisition and operations by late 2000*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 3: *Construct and begin operations by late 2001*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Project: Fishermen's Safety & Education Program

Milestone 1: *Annually conduct vessel, on the job, and other education and training programs*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 2: *Continue vessel repair and maintenance training as an additional aspect of Vessel Repair & Maintenance program.*

Status: Ricardo Mercurief is currently working at Kvichak Marine.

Project: Substance Abuse Treatment

On March 31,2000 a local fisherman was referred to the Pribilof Island Counseling Center for a chemical dependency assessment.

Milestone 1: *Annually evaluates treatment program and budget.*

Status: The expenditures of the program was relatively low in 1999, so the budget has been adjusted in the amended budget submitted as part of Substantial Amendment 00-03.

Goal 5: Local Employment

Objective: Create programs that lead to the training, education and employment of our residents.

Project: Student Loans, Scholarships & Training Grants

Milestone 1: *Annually monitor progress of students*

Status: Developed a Student Information Sheet (SIS) and a Student Profile Database (SPD) as tools to monitor student's progress each semester. In order to implement the SIS we conducted telephone calls to collect information from the students. This process also allowed insight into student progress. In addition, scholarship information, internship/apprentice opportunities, and supportive services (academic and career counseling, and letters of recommendation) have been provided this quarter to students.

Milestone 2: *Annually review loan performance*

Status: During this quarter, research was conducted to examine the best way to service student loan accounts. At a future meeting information obtained will be forwarded to the loan committee for a decision. The independent auditor's report was conducted by KPMG during this quarter and includes the status of all loans and student scholarships. The Board of Directors and loan committee members will review this report.

Milestone 3: *Annually review loan and scholarship policies and budgets*

Status: To be completed in 3rd quarter.

Project: Outreach Program

Milestone 1: *Review and restructure program due to AFA related changes by Q1 2000.*

Status: On March 13, 2000 CBSFA participated, telephonically, in a meeting with the CDQ Committee of the At-Sea-Processor Association Board of Directors. Because of this meeting, CVRF was asked to coordinate a meeting among the CDQ and APA Human Resource representatives. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the

possibilities of shared supportive services for western Alaska vessel crew and/or interns/apprentice in Seattle.

On March 21, we received an e-mail invitation from Director of OE at CVRF, Mary Oslin, to participate in a meeting on April 5, 2000. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the possibilities of shared supportive services for western Alaska vessel crew and/or interns/apprentice in Seattle. In addition to this topic, other HR issues to be discussed include recruitment and retention strategies for intern/apprentice.

Milestone 2: *Develop and establish a quarterly newsletter by Q2 2000*

Status: A newsletter template and masthead were developed in quarter 1. We expect our first issue to be published in quarter 2.

Project: Youth Training

Milestone 1: *Insure that all Grade K -12th grade students have an opportunity to participate in Junior Achievement*

Status: During Quarter 1 board members, John R. Mercurief and Phyllis Swetzof, conducted Junior Achievement classes with junior high school students. Patience Mercurief and Tara Bourdukofsky are scheduled to conduct Junior Achievement classes with elementary school students in quarter 2.

Goal 6: Investment Fund Policies & Procedures

Objective: Invest excess or held funds in a prudent manner to generate additional income to support programs and projects.

Project: Investment Fund Management

Milestone 1: *Annually review policies and procedures for general accounts*

Status: CBSFA's new Financial Manager, Tom Crandall, began reviewing the policies and procedures for the general accounts in quarter 1.

Milestone 2: *Allocate 80% of Pollock royalties to Small Boat Harbor project account*

Status: In response to the C. Opilio Crab crisis, CBSFA submitted Substantial Amendment 00-03, which requests the State and NMFS to change the set-aside formula to a set annual fee of \$650,000.

Milestone 3: *Review Investment Fund policies as they relate to congressional approval of Small Boat Harbor project and Local Share requirements in Q1 2000*

Status: The CBSFA President and new Financial Manager began an investment fund policy review in quarter one.

Goal 7: Administrative Policies & Procedures

Objective: Continue to develop Board and Management expertise necessary to manage CDQ allocations for St. Paul.

Milestone 1: *Annually secures independent financial & performance audits*

Status: During the last week of March two KPMG auditors began the 1999 annual independent audit at the CBSFA office on St. Paul Island.

Milestone 2: *Provide updated Board training and education each year*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 3: *Annually review management performance, organization and projects*

Status: CBSFA is planning to have a professional organization conduct a management review before December 31, 2000. During Quarter 1, CBSFA drafted a Request for Proposal (RFP). A RFP will be released in the 2nd quarter.

Milestone 4: *Develop a new process for evaluating partner performance in Q1 2000.*

Status: CBSFA is in the drafting process on establishing standard criteria for our partner's performance. A Management Trainee is working with the President and Fisheries Consultant to develop the new process for evaluating partner performance. Quarter 3 is the estimated completion date.

Milestone 5: *Create and fill Quota Manager and Economic Development Specialist positions.*

Status: This milestone is under review. Late last year, CBSFA hired two Management Trainees. CBSFA plans to cross-train both individuals for a period of 18 months before appointing them to specific positions. At the end of the 18-month training period, permanent assignments will be made to fill these positions. Given CBSFA's relatively small staff size, we believe this is a more prudent course.

Milestone 6: *Annually reviews Strategic Plan*

Status: No activity in Quarter 1.

Milestone 7: *Participate in NPFMC, IPHC, ABF and other appropriate policy making forums.*

Status: CBSFA management, staff, or consultants participated in the following meetings: IPHC (Jan. 10-13, 2000); Magnuson-Stevens Act hearings (January 18, 2000); NPFMC (February 7-14, 2000); State CDQ Group Meeting (Feb. 8, 2000); CDQ Group Meeting (Feb. 29, 2000); CDQ Committee and APA BOD meeting (March 13, 2000); Board of Fisheries (March 19, 2000); CDQ Group Meeting (March 28, 2000); and crab buy-back and rationalization (co-op) meetings conducted by Kevin O'Leary and Dave Fluharty (NPFMC Members) on February 9th and March 2nd.

Milestone 8: *Annually conducts Halibut CDQ Fishery Management Plan meeting with Local fleet*

Status: During the CDQ Halibut RFP process we conducted meetings with individual fishermen as well as a community wide fishermen's meeting. The input from these meetings helped establish the RFP criteria. We plan to hold another meeting just prior to the season.

Milestone 9: *Analyze and support local fisheries related needs.*

Status: During this quarter, CBSFA took its first step towards restructuring the CDQ Halibut fishery in an effort to secure better returns for the Local fishermen. In addition, P Cod opportunities should be created through the halibut RFP process; although we believe this fishery will take some time to fully develop.

B. OUTREACH

During this quarter, in order to expand our involvement in the community as well as providing outreach, management participated in various meetings with other community organizations.

For example, the January 12, 2000 meeting with the Pribilof Island School District to discuss the School-to-Work program in which we agreed to have a student intern this semester. Due to academic difficulty, the student intern did not participate with us this semester but perhaps next semester.

In February, Junior Achievement (JA) provided training to management trainee(s) who are scheduled to provide JA instruction in the second quarter to the kindergarten through second grades.

On February 14, 2000 the management trainee coordinated a meeting between the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC) and the engineering students enrolled at the University of Alaska-Anchorage. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss ANTHC Department of Environmental Health and Engineering Student Extern Program and other scholarship and internship opportunities.

In March, the management trainee(s) meet with the Co-Directors of the Tribal Government Ecosystems Office to discuss community wide efforts for St. Paul Island clean up days this May. Consequently, CBSFA applied for the Alaskans for Litter Prevention and Recycling grant. If approved, CBSFA in collaboration with the Ecosystems office will monitor and provide support to the project intern.

In addition, on March 14, 2000 CBSFA held a Halibut Fishermen's meeting. Nineteen local vessel owners, crewmembers, community members, and five employees participated. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss goals for the CBSFA 2000 CDQ/Halibut Program. The goals contrived provided guidance to management in the request for proposal process.

Management issued a RFP to the public to process our CDQ Halibut and intends to make its selection during second quarter.

Further, on March 31, 2000 we met with processing partner, Icycle Seafoods Inc., to discuss our employment agreement. Their agreement is to provide local residents with employment, training and advancement opportunities across a broad range of their fishery related activities, with the goal of providing CBSFA Region residents the skills and experiences required to obtain advanced positions in ICICLE operation, or similar positions with the CBSFA Region. This project is a work in progress. We are presently working with Mike Clutter, ICICLE Manager, developing a Program and Training process for internships/apprenticeship. Steve Lee, ICICLE Manager of Arctic Star, reported that one local has been hired to process and she is doing a great job. Work is in progress with CVRF, on developing Internship/Apprentice Learning Contracts.

Also in the first quarter, CBSFA received an updated workplan for internship opportunities at the American Seafoods office in Seattle.

Moreover, on March 13, 2000 we participated, telephonically, in a meeting with the CDQ Committee of the At-Sea-Processor Association Board of Directors. As a result, a meeting was scheduled in Anchorage during April. (Goal 5, Project: Outreach Program, Milestone1)

In addition, we attended a meeting about the Bering Sea held on St. Paul. Majorities of the Local organizations were at this meeting as well as leadership to discuss concerns and issues surrounding the Bering Sea.

Finally, at the end of March, the management trainee attended a meeting put on by NOAA Climate Monitoring & Diagnostics Laboratory. This was an informational meeting to discuss the combinatory impact (i.e., ultra violet rays, fishing, etc.) to the Bering Sea and ways to monitor the effect of this change.

C. EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT DATA 2000 QUARTER 1

1. Data Form

	Quarter 1		Year-to-Date		Year-to- Date People
	Position/Trips	Wages	Position/Trips	Wages	
Management	4	39,855.62	4	39,855.62	4
Anchorage Clerical					
CDQ Pollock Related					
A Season					
B Season					
Multi-species Related					
Crabbing	0	Unknown	0	Unknown	0
Groundfish	2	Unknown	2	Unknown	2
Other Fishing					
CDQ Halibut					
Other Employment					
CBSFC	1	307.68	1	307.68	1
St. Paul Clerical					
Misty Islands Seafood's					
Management	1	8,076.00	1	8076.00	1
Production Staff	5	1362.88	5	1362.88	5
Internships					
Total	13	49,602.18	13	49,602.18	13

2. Summary

F/V Zolotoi: One resident worked aboard the Zolotoi during open access P Cod. It is anticipated that he will continue working onboard the vessel during the open access and CDQ *C. opilio* season.

F/V Gulf Mist: One resident worked aboard the freezer/longliner Gulf Mist during the groundfishery.

D. TRAINING AND EDUCATION

1. Data Form

TRAINING/SCHOLARSHIP/STUDENT LOAN					
2000 QUARTER 1					
		Quarter 1		Year-to-date	
		People	Expenditure	People	Expenditure
Scholarships					
	Postsecondary	14	\$18,200	14	\$18,200
	Vocational	3	\$9,000	3	\$9,000
Voc-tech Classes					
	Basic	0	0	0	0
	Advanced	0	0	0	0
Other Training					
	Fisheries related	0	0	0	0
	Student Loans	9	\$10,800	9	\$10,800
	CDQ Staff/Board	0	0	0	0
	Other (Board Training)	0	0	0	0
Other Expenditures					
	To Educational Institutes		0	0	0
	Educational Endowment Funds		0	0	0
	Other		0	0	0
Total		26	\$38,000	26	\$38,000

2. Summary

There were four new student scholarships and ten continuing student scholarships awarded, for a total of 14 student scholarships in Quarter 1. There were two new student loans and six continuing student loans were awarded for a total of eight students loans in Quarter 1, 2000.

The students are attending the following colleges: University of Alaska-Anchorage (6); University of Alaska-Fairbanks (1); Alaska Pacific University (1); Utah State University (1); University of Hawaii-Manoa (1); Chemekata Community College (1); Keller Graduate School (1), Everett Community College (1); and Haskell Indian Nations University (1).

Three students are schedule to graduate this spring, one with a Masters, one with a Bachelor of Arts, and one with a Associate of Applied Science.

Also sponsored this quarter were three vocational training grants. The three students are attending the Alaska Vocational Technical and Educational Center (AVTEC). The grantee will complete their programs in June 2000.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. BOARD ACTIVITIES

1. Changes in members

There were no changes in CBSFA board members in the first quarter.

2. Substantial Decisions

- The CBSFA Board passed Resolution No. 00-01 authorizing management to pursue participation in the purchase of American Seafoods Company.
- The CBSFA Board passed Resolution No. 00-02 authorizing management to purchase up to 2.8% of the initial equity of American Seafoods, L.P..
- The CBSFA Board passed Resolution No. 00-03 approving the contents of and the submission of Substantial Amendment 00-03 to the State of Alaska which requests approval of amendments to CBSFA's 1998-2000 Multi-Species Community Development Plan (CDP).
- The CBSFA Board passed Resolution No. 00-04 authorizing a transfer of funds into Keybank for the Ocean Cape Reserve Account.
- The CBSFA Board passed Resolution No. 00-05 authorizing management to finalize loan documents for a substantial loan from Keybank of Alaska to complete the purchase of 2.8% of the initial equity of American Seafoods, L.P..

B. CDP AMENDMENT STATUS

The following amendments were submitted and approved during Quarter 1:

- TA 00-01: Add 2 more American Seafoods Company vessels to CBSFA 2000 CDP: C/P Katie Ann and C/P Ocean Rover to harvest and process Pollock and Groundfish.
- TA 00-02: Add F/ V Muir Milach to CBSFA 2000 CDP.
- SA 00-03: The main items of this amendment were to : allow CBSFA to acquire a minority investment in American Seafoods Group, L.L.P.; fix the annual harbor set aside at \$650,000; and establish the Ocean Cape Contingency Reserve Loan Fund.
- SA 00-04: The main items of this amendment were to: request a change of crab processing partners for the year 2000; and provide notification of changes in royalty agreements with American Seafoods for CDQ pollock and Jubilee Fisheries for CDQ Pacific Cod.

C. Other Issues

There are no other issues to report at this time.

IV. HARVESTING REPORT for Quarter 1 Year 2000
A. Target Fishery Harvest Activities

1. POLLOCK HARVESTING ACTIVITIES:

SPECIES	CDQ Allocation			Target Fishery Information	
	Metric Tons Allocated	Metric Tons Harvested	Percentage of Allocation	% of Target Fishery	
TOTAL POLLOCK	5695.000	2352.358	41.306%		98.450%
A/B Season	2278.000	2352.358	103.264%		
Inside SCA		1396.013			
BYCATCH					
Turbot Bering	65.380	0.129	0.197%		0.005%
Pacific Cod	1447.500	3.967	0.274%		0.166%
Yellowfin Sole	739.520	0.799	0.108%		0.033%
Other Flats	628.500	0.188	0.030%		0.008%
Rock Sole	1010.700	15.916	1.575%		0.666%
Flathead Sole	394.800	6.850	1.735%		0.287%
Arrowtooth	751.590	0.104	0.014%		0.004%
Squid		6.806			0.285%
Other Species	179.910	2.219	1.233%		0.093%
Other Rockfish - BS	2.160	0.037	1.713%		0.002%
Other Red Rockfish - BS	1.400	0.003	0.214%		0.000%
True POP - BS	19.500	0.003	0.015%		0.000%
Sablefish, Trawl - BS	5.500	0.006	0.109%		0.000%
PSQ Halibut		0.123			
PSQ Halibut Mortality	27.440	0.110	0.401%		
PSQ Herring		0.002			
PSQ Chinook	180.000	7.603	4.224%		
PSQ Other Salmon	157.500	6.599	4.190%		
Total Harvest (non-PSQ)		2,389.385			100.000%
Percentage of target species			41.306%		
Target percentage of total (non-PSQ) catch			98.450%		
Bycatch (non-PSQ) as percentage of total catch			1.550%		

a. Summary of harvesting activities by target fishery (Pollock)

During the first quarter American Seafoods vessels: *Northern Eagle, Ocean Rover, Northern Jaeger, American Triumph, and Northern Hawk* fished Pollock for Central Bering Sea Fishermen's Association. They caught a combined total of 103% of the A/B season allotment and 98% of the allotment from inside the sea lion conservation area. The vessels completed fishing on March 27, 2000.

b. Summary of By-catch in Pollock fishery

The pollock fishery in the first quarter was extremely clean.

2. PACIFIC COD HARVESTING ACTIVITIES

SPECIES	CDQ Allocation			Target Fishery Information	
	Metric Tons Allocated	Metric Tons Harvested	Percentage of Allocation	% of Target Fishery	
PACIFIC COD	1,447.500	499.880	34.534%		85.02%
BYCATCH					
Turbot Bering	65.380	0.630	0.964%		0.11%
Turbot Aleutian Islands	11.500	0.130	1.130%		0.02%
Non-target pollock		14.590			2.48%
Atka Mackerel -Central	185.200	3.150	1.701%		0.54%
Other Flats	628.500	0.270	0.043%		0.05%
Rock Sole	1,010.700	0.240	0.024%		0.04%
Flathead Sole	394.800	0.900	0.228%		0.15%
Arrowtooth	751.590	1.750	0.233%		0.30%
Other Species	179.910	59.690	33.178%		10.15%
Other Rockfish -BS	2.160	0.070	3.241%		0.01%
Other Rockfish - AI	4.080	0.010	0.245%		0.00%
Other Red Rockfish - BS	1.400	0.100	7.143%		0.02%
True POP -Central AI	26.300	0.010	0.038%		0.00%
Sharp/Northern - AI	38.600	2.590	6.710%		0.44%
Short/Rougheye - AI	5.940	3.960	66.667%		0.67%
PSQ Halibut		12.320			
PSQ Halibut Mortality	27.440	1.380	5.029%		
PSQ Other Tanner crab		156.130			
PSC Bairdi crab		8.040			
Total Harvest (non-PSQ)		587.970			100.00%
Percentage of target species			34.5%		
Target percentage of total (non-PSQ) catch			85.0%		
Bycatch (non-PSQ) as percentage of total catch			15.0%		

a. Summary of harvesting activities by target fishery (Pacific Cod)

Two Jubilee Seafoods' freezer/longliners, the *Kjevolia* and *Zenith*, fished CBSFA's Pacific Cod allocation during the first quarter. They began on March 12th and fished through the end of the month. During this period they caught 33% of CBSFA's annual P. cod allotment. They fished in the waters of the Bering Sea except that the *Zenith* fished in the Aleutian Islands area during the last four days of the month.

b. Summary of By-catch in Pacific Cod fishery

By-catch has been relatively high. The predominant by-catch species are Shortraker/Rougheye-AI and Other Species.

B. Compliance / Enforcement Issues

During March CBSFA received two Enforcement Action Reports from NMFS for CDQ overages that occurred in 1999. CBSFA and the vessel took the appropriate action when the incidents occurred. Both the vessels and CBSFA issued statements regarding the incidents to the NMFS. The first Report cites the F/V Northern Jaeger and F/V American Triumph for a CDQ overage in Pacific Ocean Perch (POP). The second Report cites the F/V Seafreeze Alaska for a CDQ overage in AI Sharpchin/Northern Rockfish. No formal statement of charges has been issued yet.

C. Other Fishing Issues/Activities

Pollock

There are no other fishing issues / activities to report.

Pacific Cod

There are no other fishing issues / activities to report.

Crab CDQ fishing

The delay of the opilio fishery until April 1 moved CDQ crab fishing into the second quarter.

Multi-species groundfish fishing

There are no other fishing issues / activities to report. A fishery for sablefish is expected to begin in late April.

Halibut CDQ Fishing

There are no other fishing issues / activities to report. This fishery is expected to begin in mid-June in area 4C only.

Misty Island Seafoods

Misty Islands Seafoods had no operational activity during the month. In early January preparations were made for live sales of *opilio* Tanner crab. However, when the opilio season was delayed until April 1, all operational plans were canceled. There is no viable market for live opilio that late spring since the Asian market (primarily Japanese) use live opilio for winter soup and by April the weather is too warm and food preferences change.

F/Vs Zolotoi and Ocean Cape

The *Zolotoi* and *Ocean Cape* both prepared for the January *opilio* opening. However, when that fishery was delayed until April 1, 2000 the vessels participated in the P cod open access fishery.