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Commercial Nearshore Fishery

Meeting will begin at 6:30 PM

Virtual attendees are muted until start

Industry and Public Meeting for the 2024 Fishing Year

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State Fishery Management Team**

September 2023



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Tonight's meeting

- **Pacific Fishery Management Council update**
- **2023 fishery landings to date**
- **Process and options for setting 2024 state regulations**
 - **Bi-monthly vessel catch limits**
- **Commercial Nearshore Advisory Panel**
- **Input from industry and other interested parties**



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LE Fixed Gear and OA Trip Limits

Stock	2023-2024, with in-season adjustments
Widow rockfish	LE: 4,000 lbs./ 2 months OA: 2,000 lbs./ 2 months
Shelf rockfish	LE: 800 lbs./ month OA: 800 lbs./ month
Canary rockfish	LE: 4,000 lbs./ 2 months OA: 2,000 lbs./ 2 month
Yellowtail rockfish	LE: 3,000 lbs./ month OA: 1,500 lbs./ month
Lingcod (OR/WA)	LE: 7,000 lbs./ 2 months OA: 3,500 lbs./ month

***In-season changes may be adopted at future Council meetings**

Non-trawl Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)

- 30-100 fathoms
- No fishing for groundfish with non-trawl gear
- Except fishing with stationary vertical jig gear or groundfish troll gear is allowed



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Pacific Fishery Management Council Non-trawl Logbook

New Federal Non-Trawl Logbook in effect January 1, 2023

- Until January 2025, may use either the Oregon Fixed Gear Logbook or the new Federal Logbook if you are NOT fishing inside the Non-Trawl Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA).
- If fishing in the Non-Trawl RCA, use the Federal Non-Trawl Logbook.
- Oregon Nearshore Permit holders taking nearshore species in state waters only required to use the Oregon Nearshore Logbook.
- Nearshore Permit holders taking nearshore species and fishing inside the RCA required to fill out BOTH federal and nearshore logbook.

The image shows a detailed form titled "NON-TRAWL FEDERAL LOGBOOK". It includes sections for trip information (Year, Observed Trip, Permit, EPF Trip, Vessel Name, Vessel No., Gear, Type of Fleet Gear, and Gear Check), location and time (Longitude, Latitude, Longitude, Time, Date, Depth, and Time of Day), and catch data (Type of Fish, Species, and Catch in Pounds and Counts). The form also includes checkboxes for "RETAINED" and "RELEASED" catch, and a section for "Type of Other Hook and Line Gear".

Download the electronic application to your smartphone from the PSMFC's website at:

<https://www.psmfc.org/program/logbooks?pid=17>



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Non-Trawl Area Management

Proposed Rule open for comment

- **Allow fishing inside RCA with stationary vertical jig gear or groundfish troll gear for all non-trawl sectors**
- **Stationary vertical jig gear**
 - Reduce minimum distance from weight to bottom hook to 30 feet
 - Allow natural bait
- **Four new Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Areas (YCRAs)**
 - Heceta Bank active upon adoption, others option for in-season
- **Five new Essential Fish Habitat Conservation Areas (EFHCAs)**
 - Closed to groundfish and halibut non-trawl bottom contact gear
- **Allow in-season Block Area Closures (BACs)**
 - For in-season management
- **Comments due to NOAA Fisheries by Sep 29, 2023**



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Fixed Gear Marking; Entanglement Risk Reduction

Under Development

- **Bottom longline and trap/pot gear for groundfish**
- **Gear marking**
 - Buoy marking – gear or gear-sector specific
 - Line marking – amount and method
- **Entanglement risk reduction**
 - Allow use of surface gear on only one end of groundline
 - Time/area closures
 - Pop-up gear
 - Surface gear limits
- **Timeline**
 - Sep 2023 – Purpose and Need; Range of Alternatives if possible
 - Mar 2024 – Preliminary Preferred Alternative
 - Jun 2024 – Final Preferred Alternative



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Stock Assessment Results

Stock	Area	Fraction unfished (2023)	Presumed Status	ABC 2025	ABC 2026	Catches 2013-2022 Min	Catches 2013-2022 Max	Catches 2013-2022 Ave
Black	WA	45%	Healthy	245	241	130	369	267
	OR	45%	Healthy	344	350	415	594	483
	CA	38%	Precautionary	234	247	142	399	239
Canary	Coastwide	34%	Precautionary	605	609	45	700	364
Copper	CA	37%	Precautionary	134	135	67	225	150

*** Not final until adopted by Council during Sep or Nov meeting**

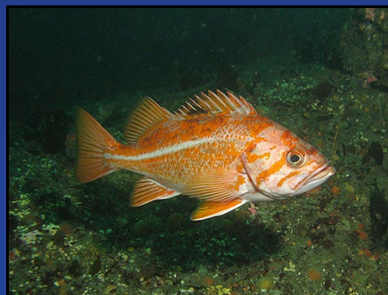


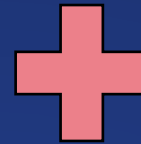
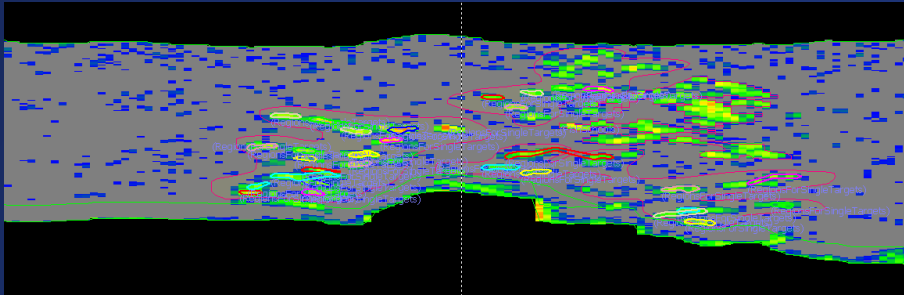
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2021 Black Rockfish Survey

How does it work?



Acoustics provide a value that can be turned into number of fish

Use known relationships between rockfish length and acoustics to estimate abundance

Camera provides species proportions and lengths

For more information, see the story map:
<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/f26c6463c4c54f25a25139eca4fc80c7/>

Population Estimate!

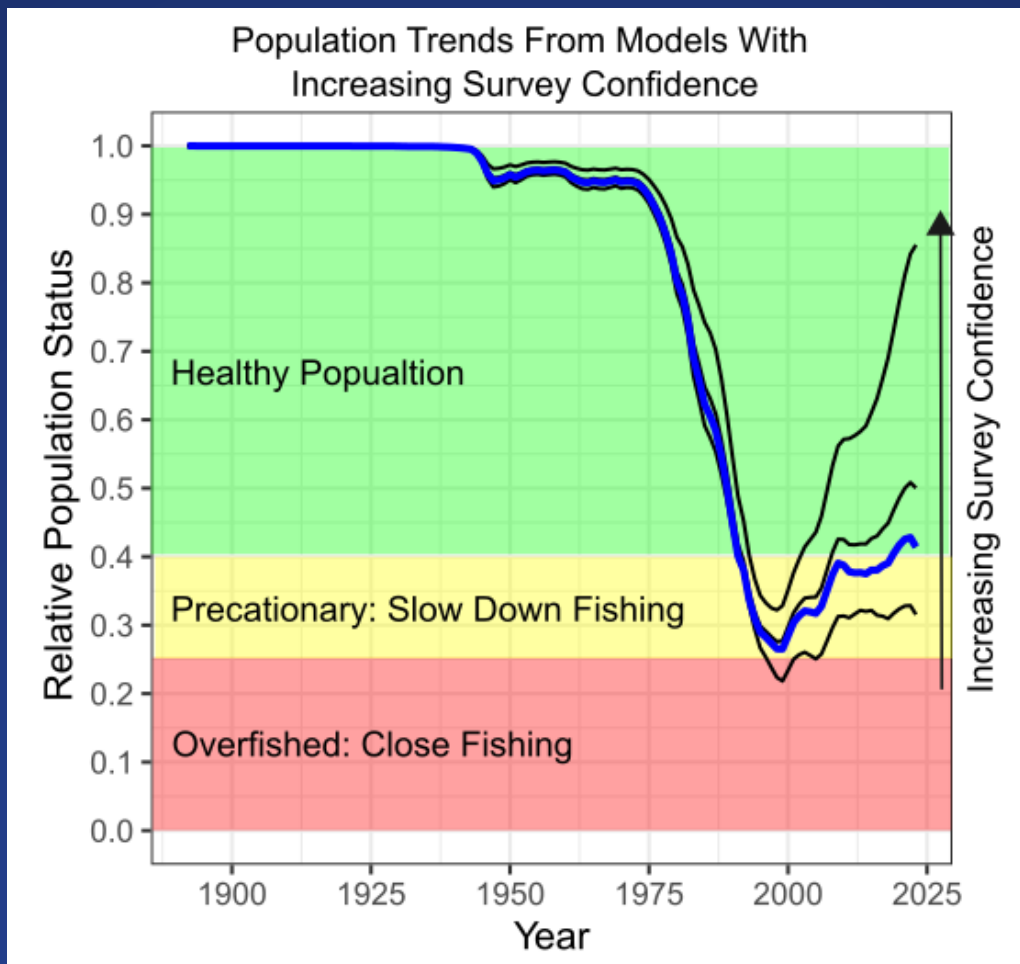
12,995,459 ± 7,643,869
Black Rockfish



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2021 Black Rockfish Survey

Use in Stock Assessment





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Review the 2023 Season (Landings thru Aug 27 or 65% of season)





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2023 Nearshore Permits

- **40 permits for Black & Blue (B/B) Rockfish without a Nearshore Endorsement**
 - 34 B/B permitted vessels landed B/B Rockfish
 - 85% active
- **66 B/B w/ Nearshore-Endorsed permits**
 - 50 NS vessels landed B/B or NS fish
 - 77% active

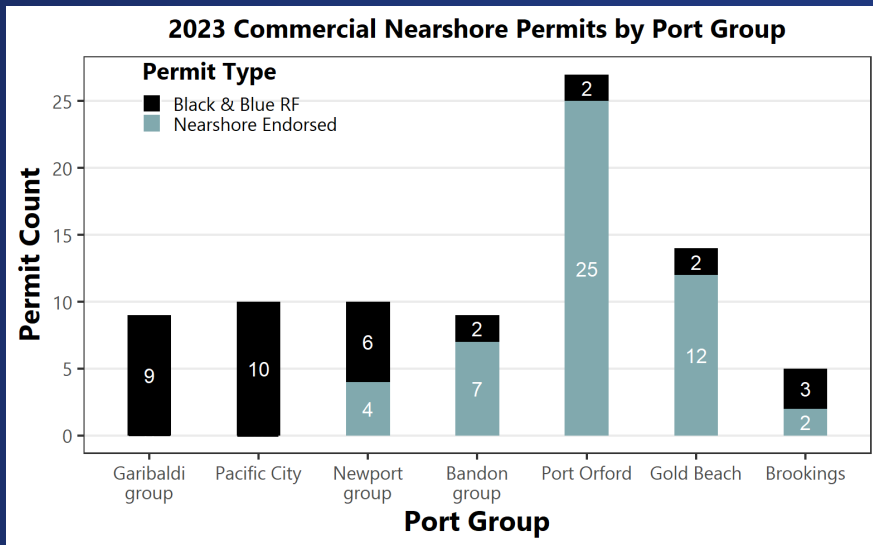


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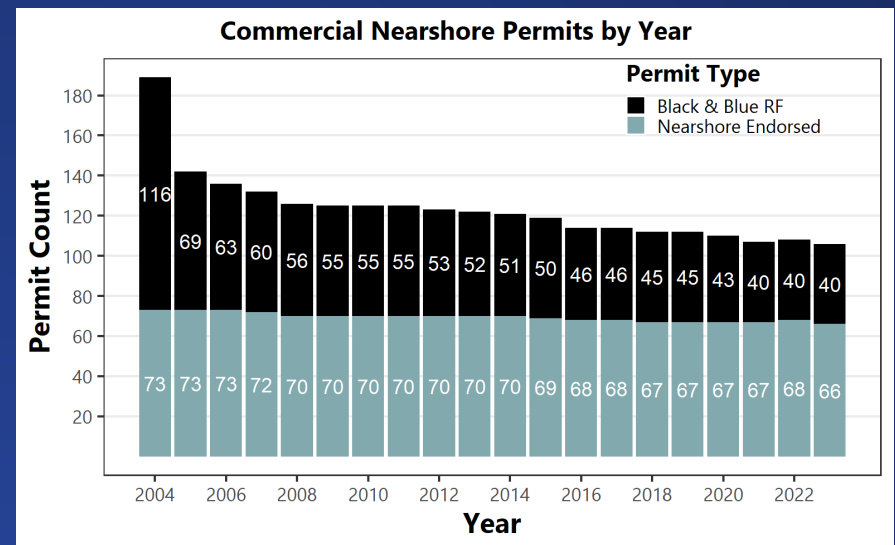
Permits

Black/Blue & BB w/ Nearshore Endorsement

2023 Permits



Permit History: 2004 - 2023

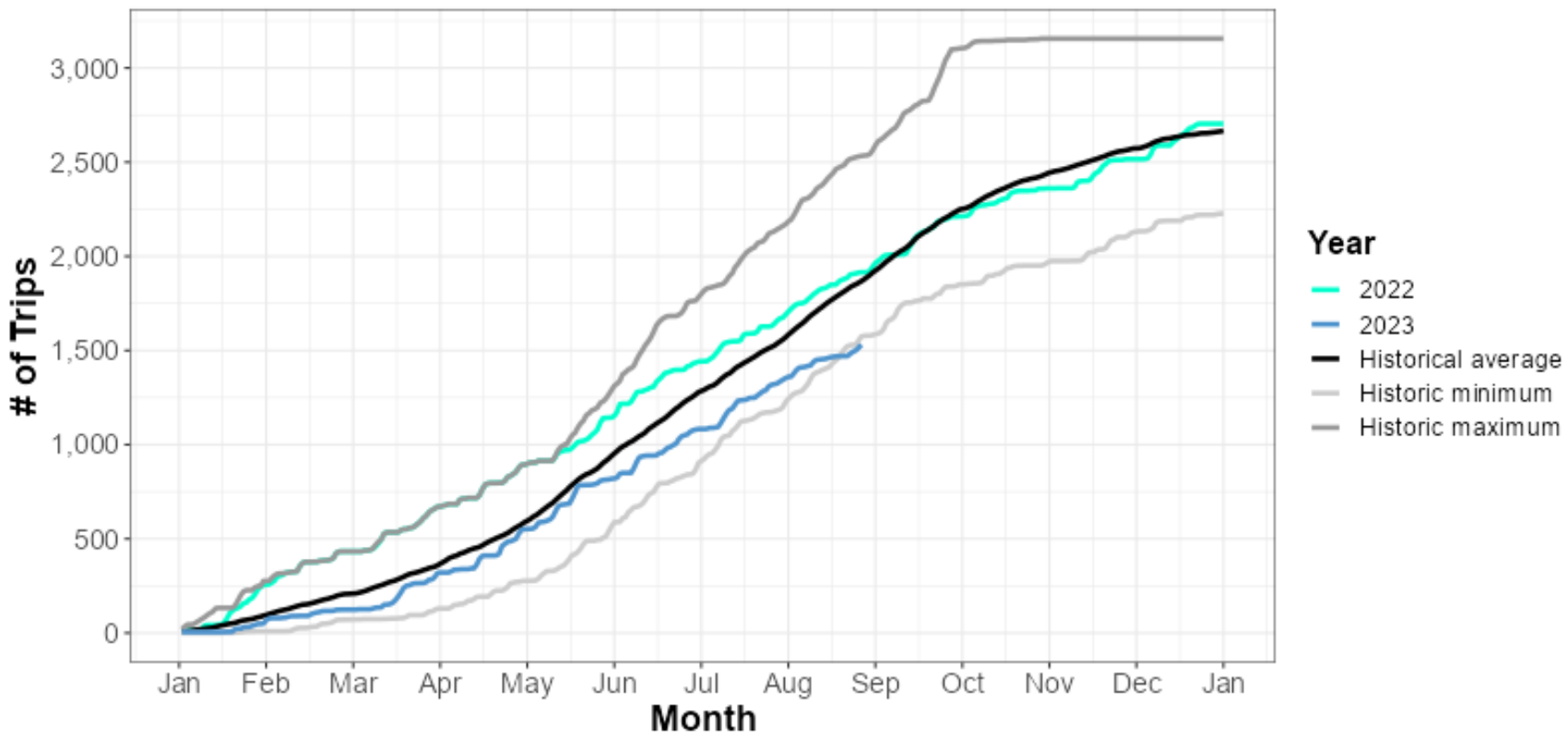




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2023 Effort (65% of the season)

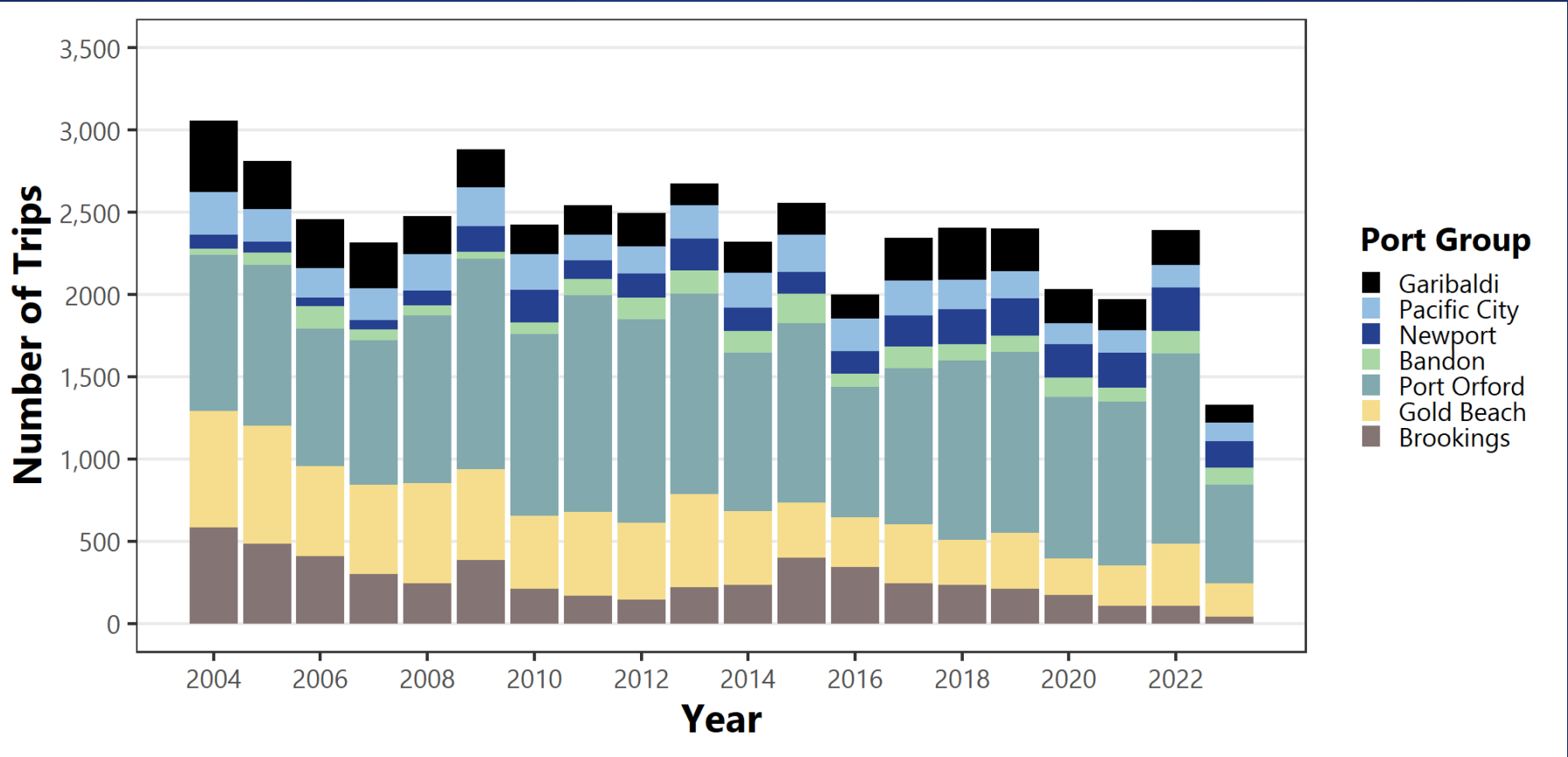
Cumulative Annual Effort





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Nearshore Trips by Port

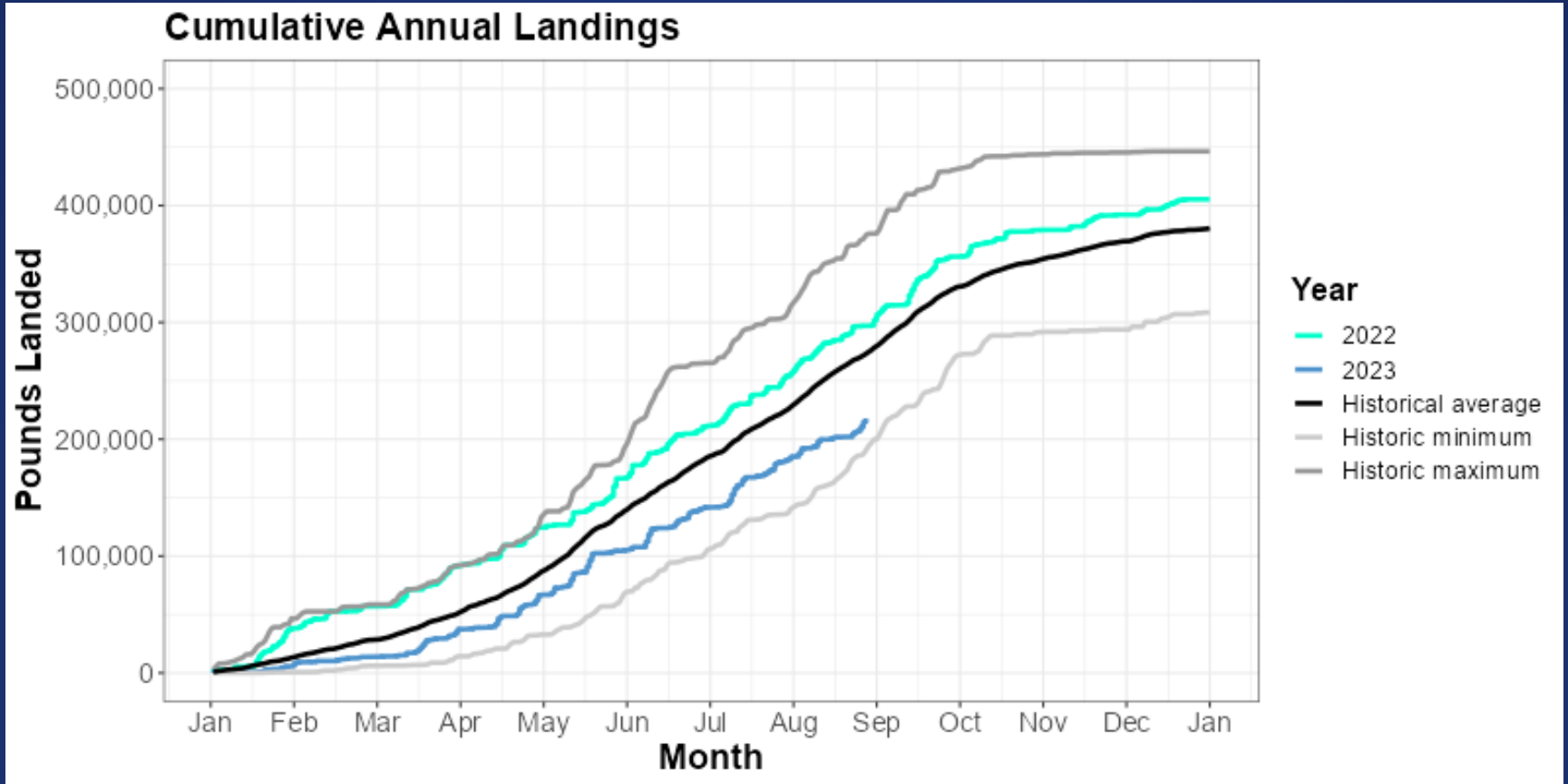


* 2023 trips thru Aug 27, trips from other years from entire year



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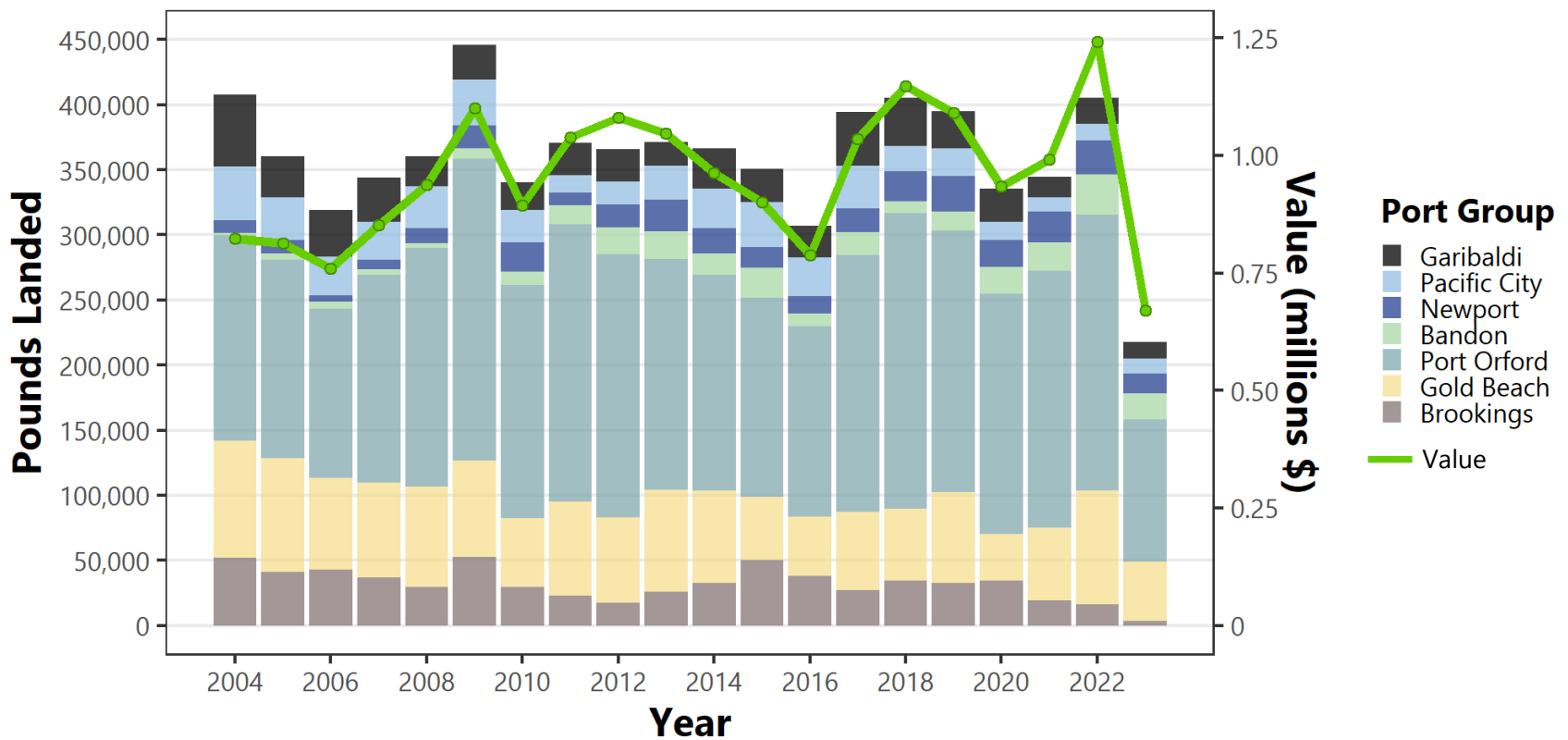
2023 Total Landings (65% of the season)





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Total Landings and Value by Port*



* 2023 landings thru Aug 27, landings for other years from entire year

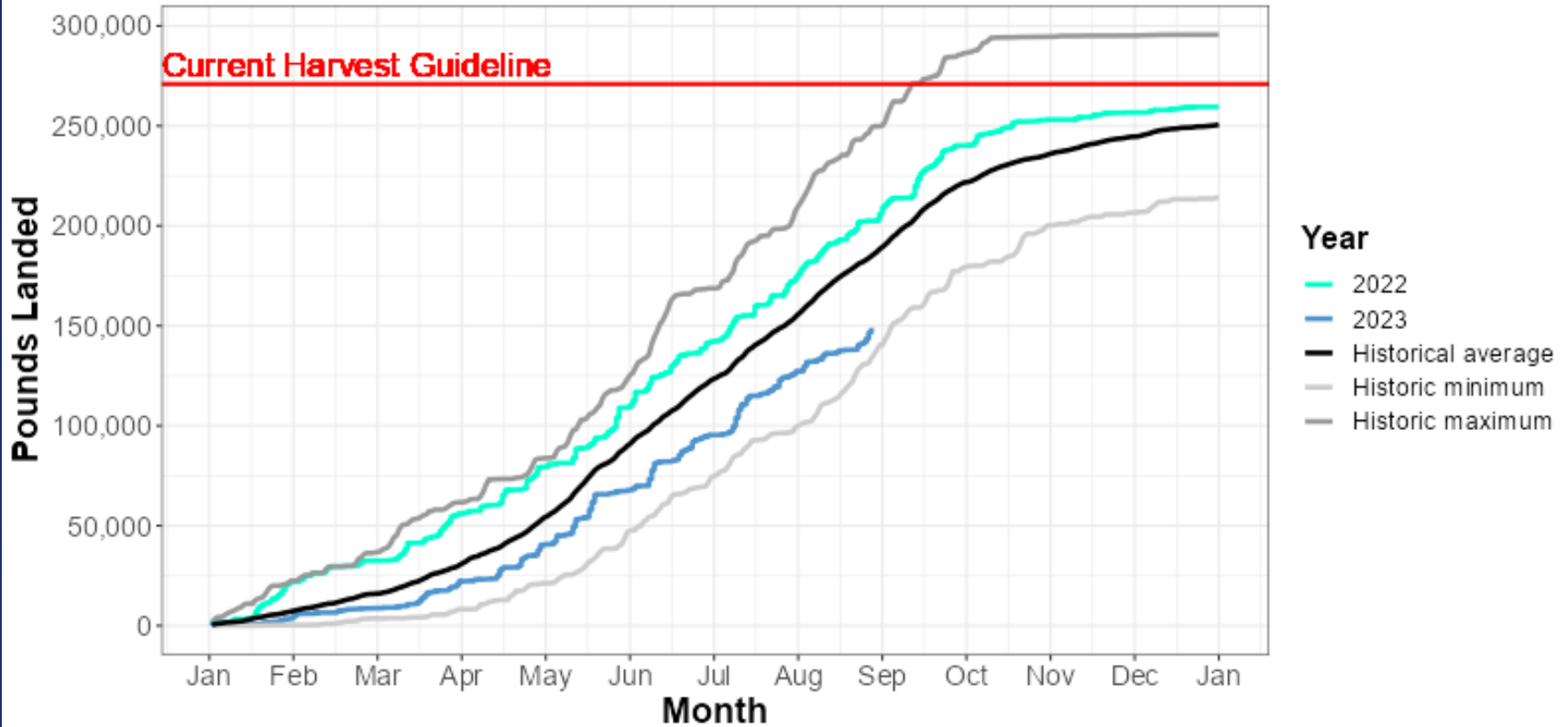


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Black Rockfish Landings (55% of cap - 65% of season)



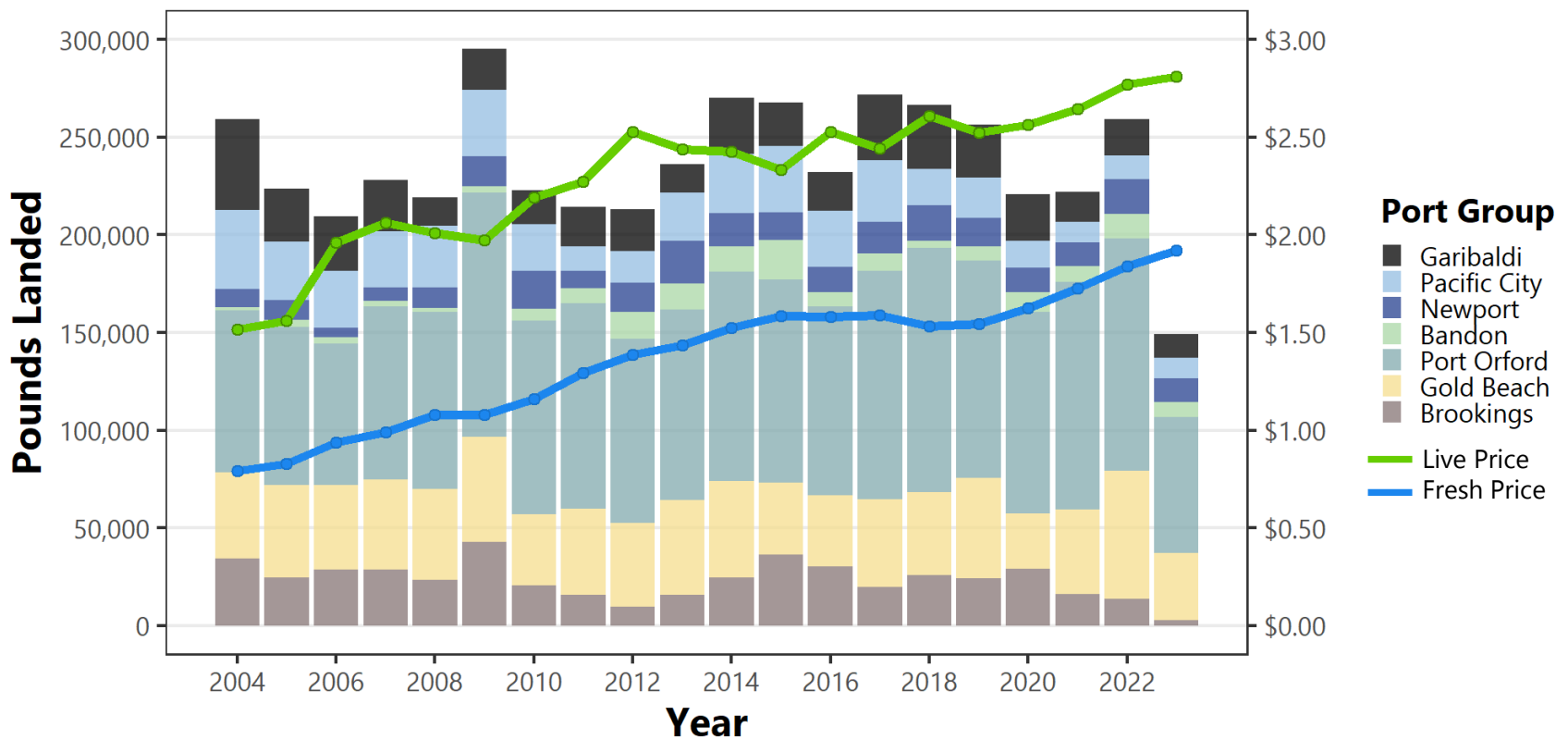
Cumulative Annual Landings





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Black Rockfish Landings by Port*



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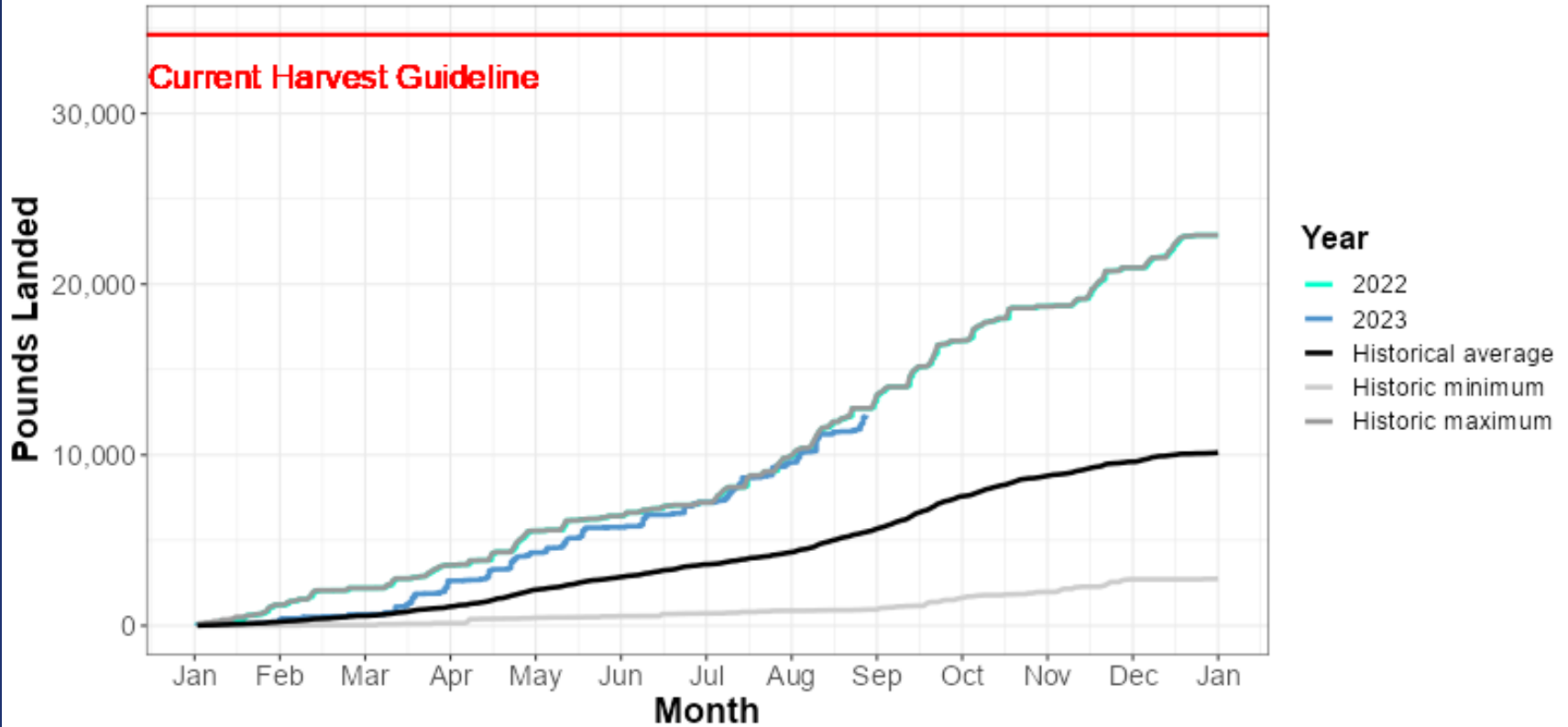


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Blue and Deacon Rockfish Landings (36% of cap - 65% of season)



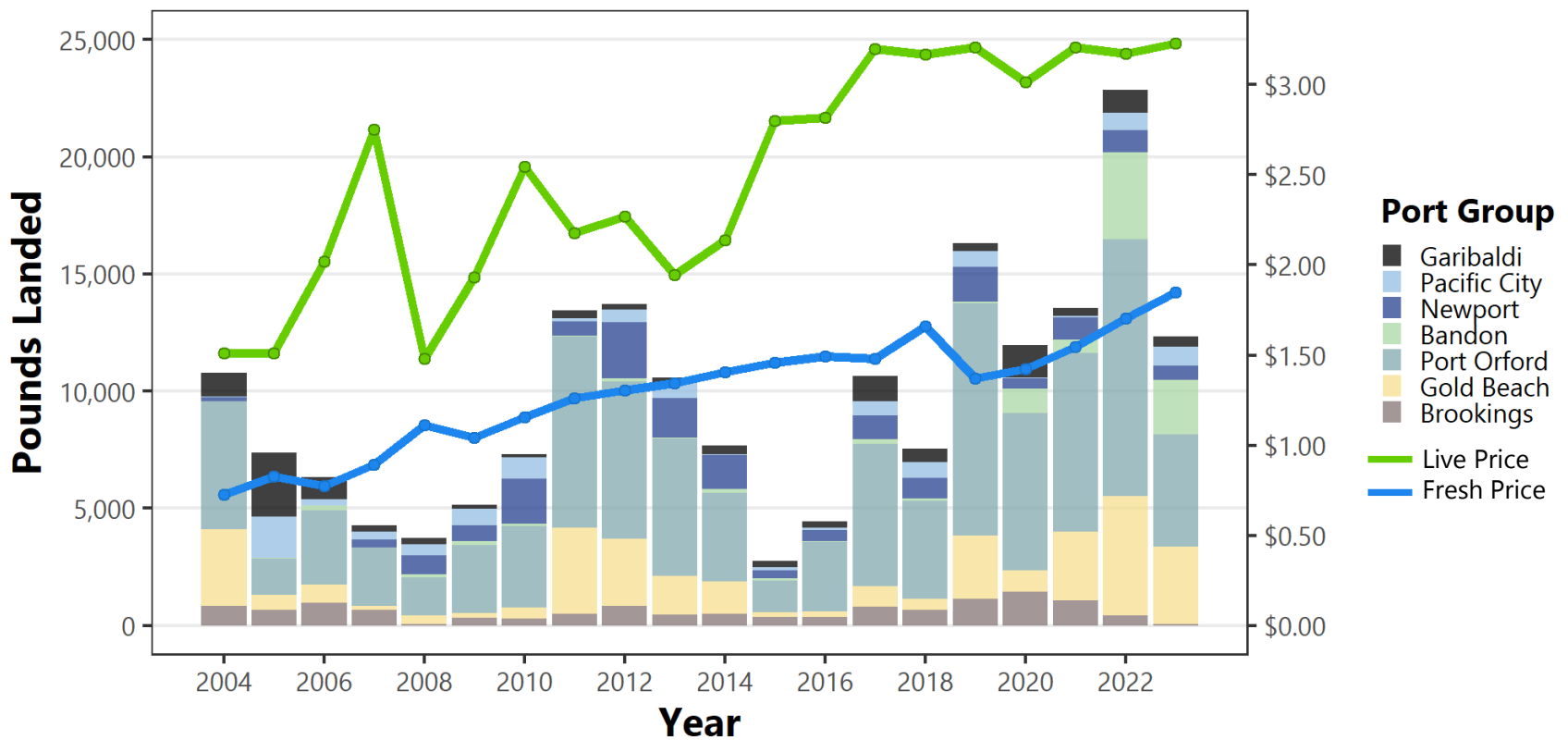
Cumulative Annual Landings





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Blue and Deacon Landings by Port*

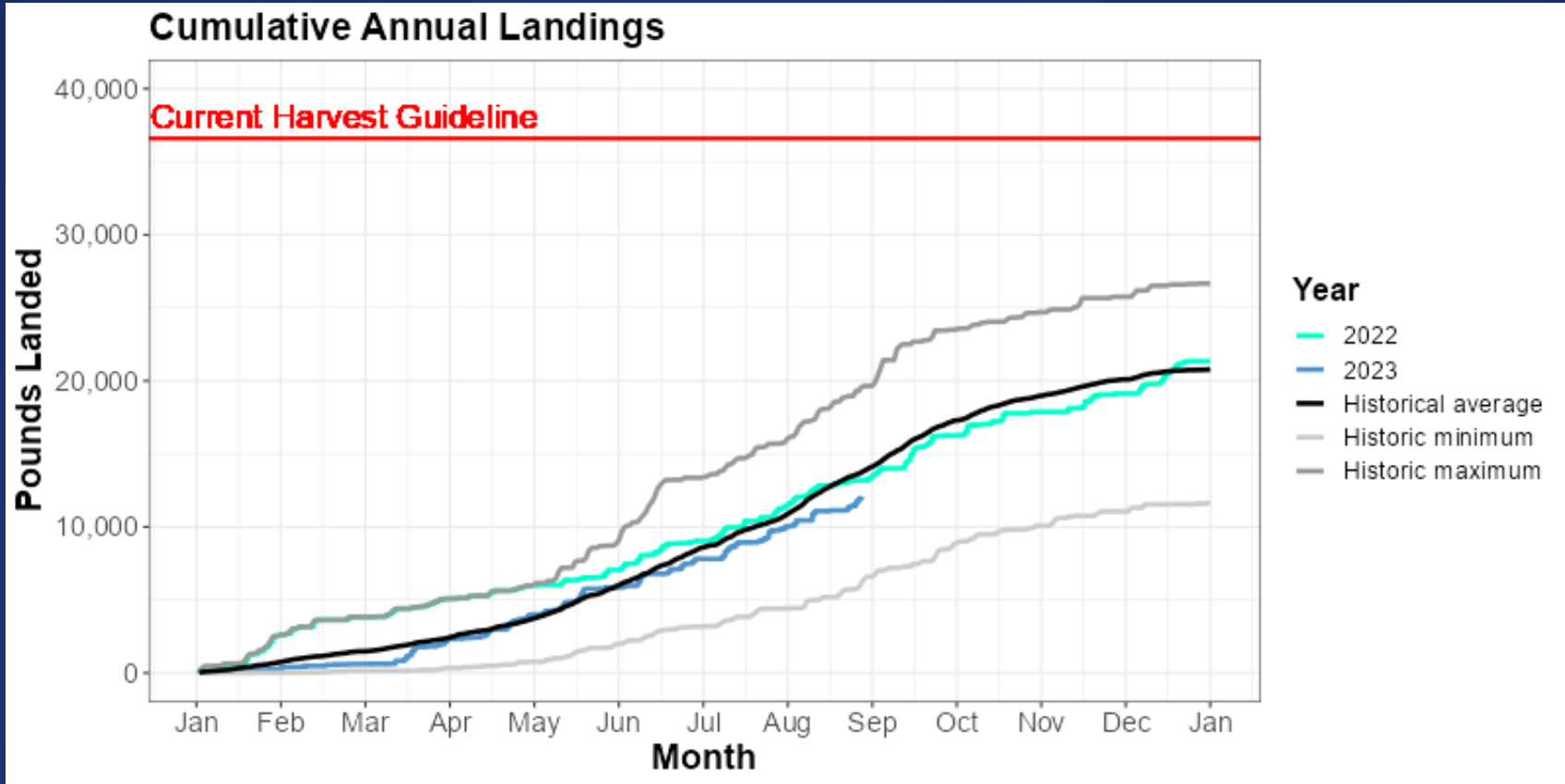


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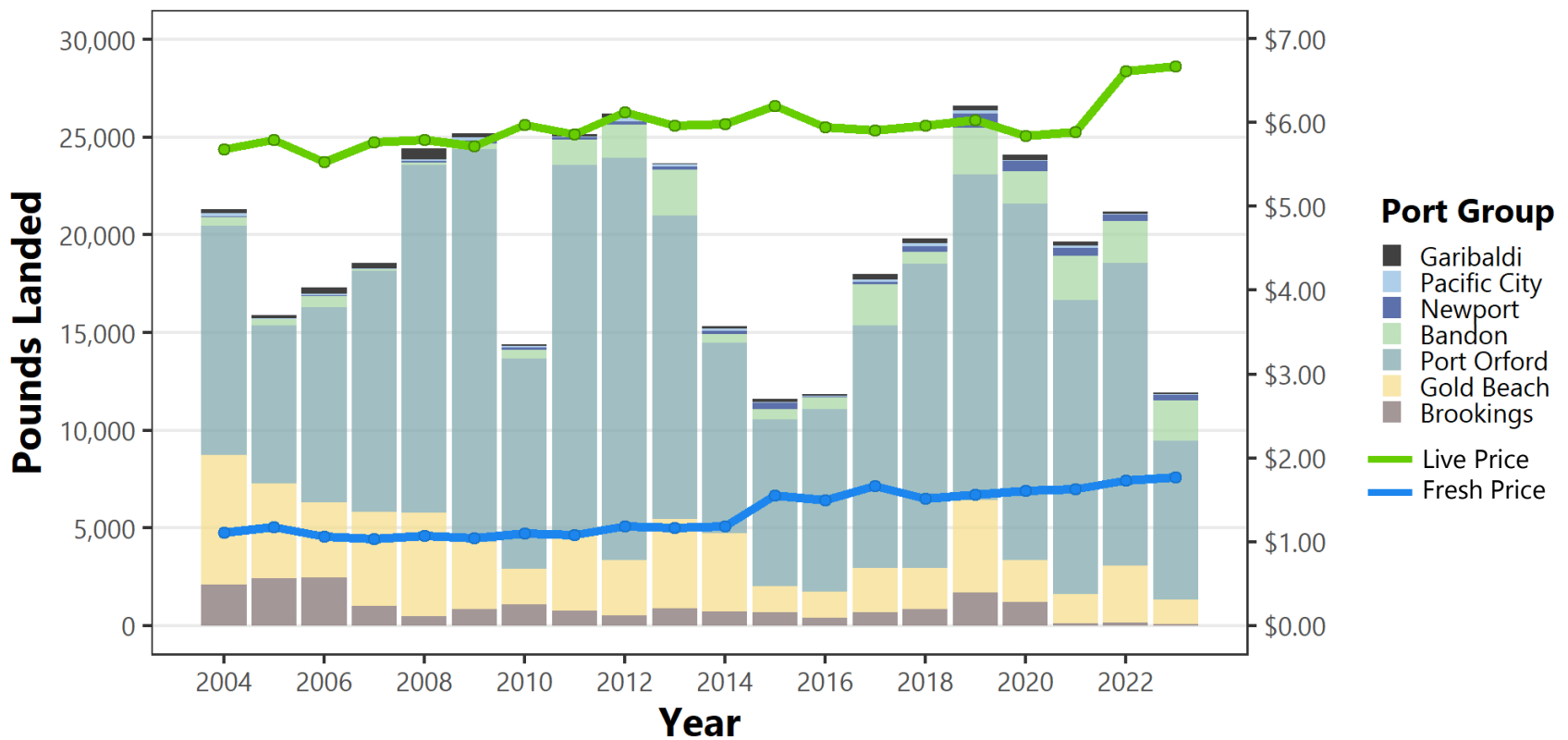
Other Nearshore Landings (33% of cap - 65% of season)





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Other Nearshore Landings by Port*



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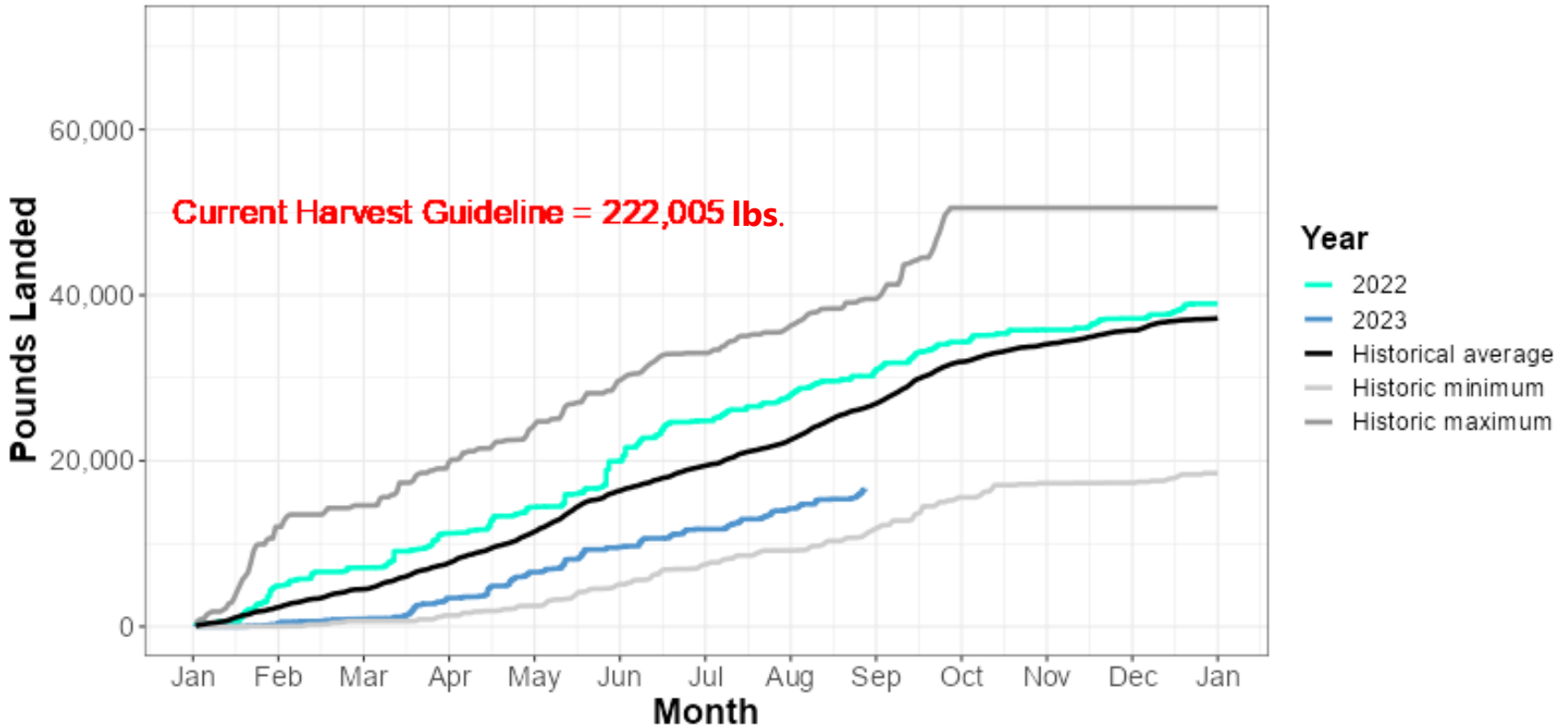


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Greenling Landings (7.5% of cap - 65% of season)



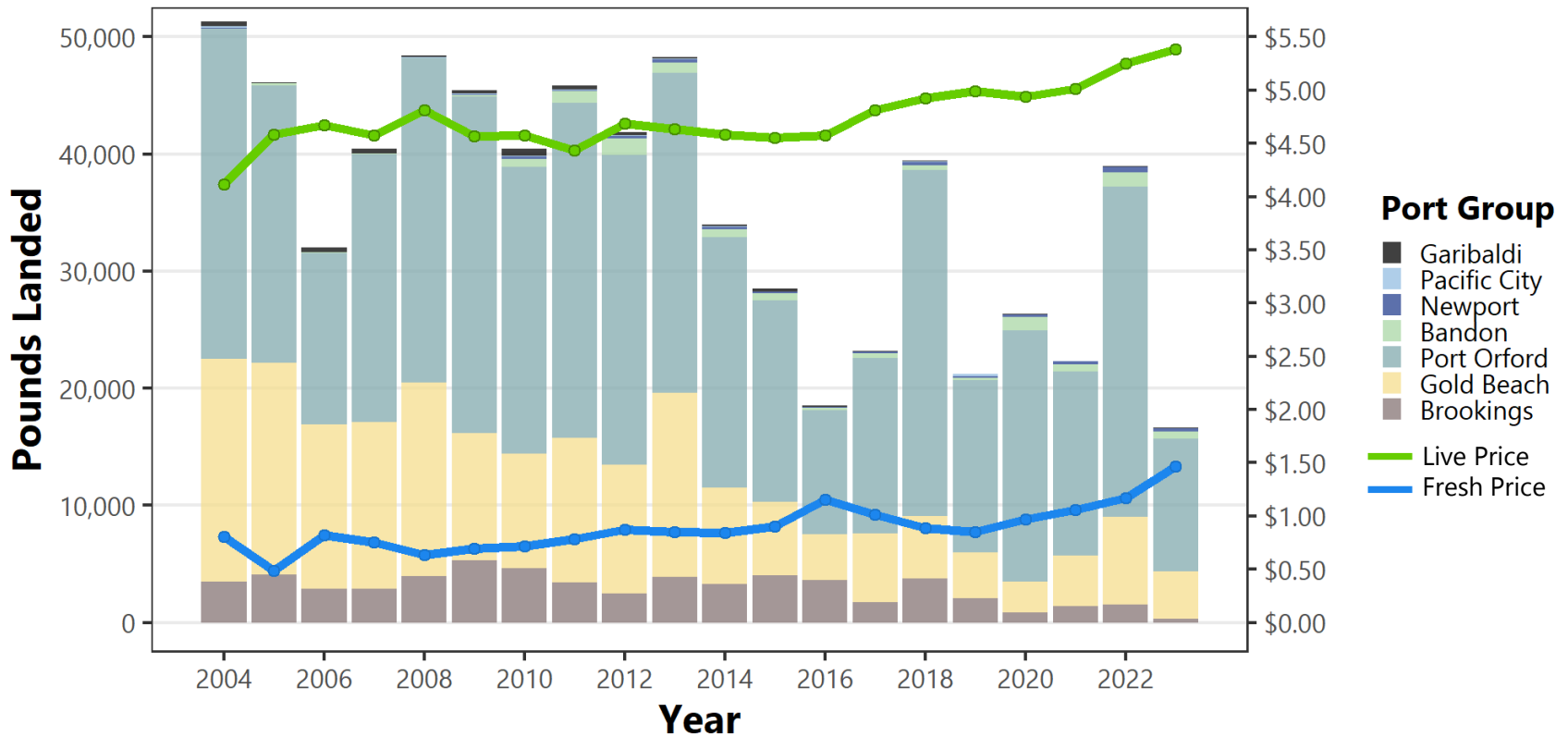
Cumulative Annual Landings





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Greenling Landings by Port*



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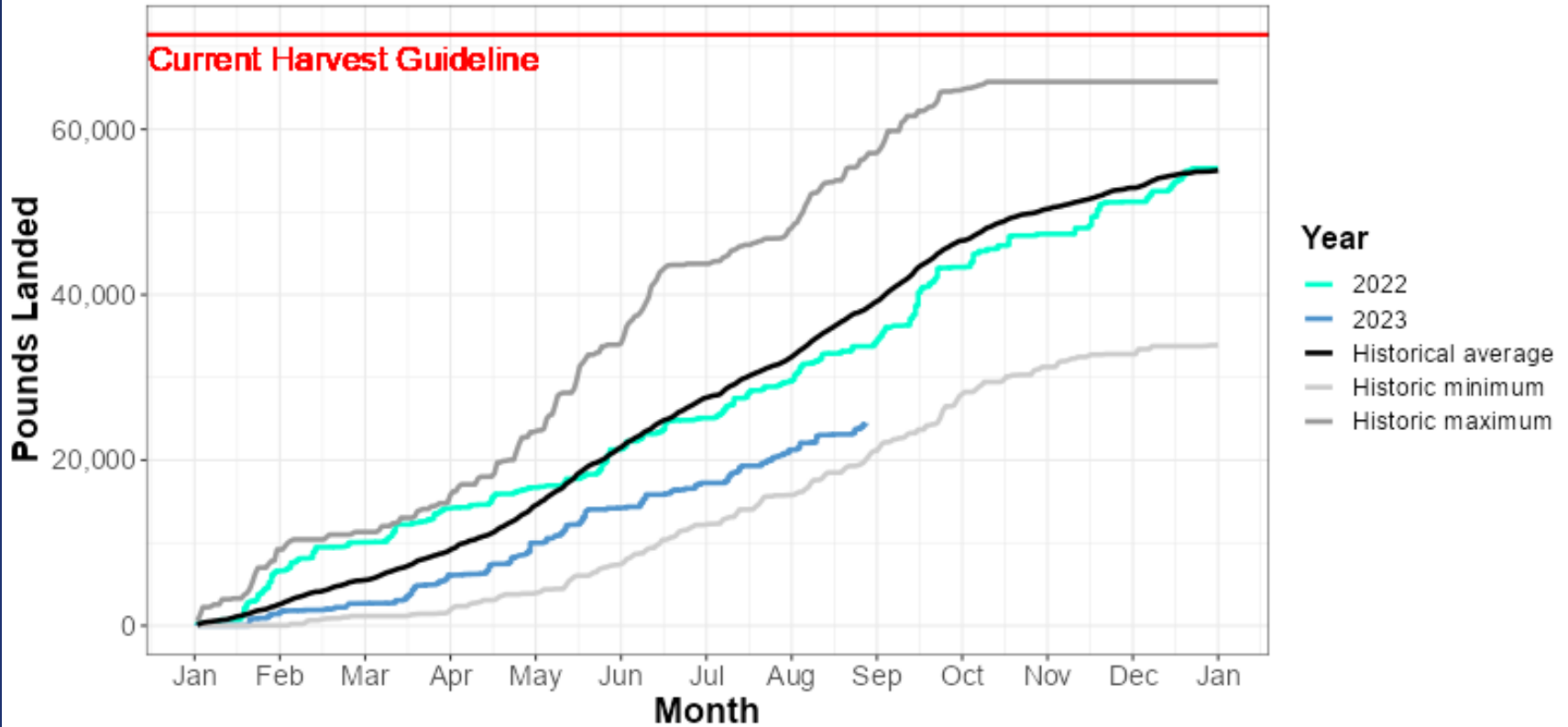


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Cabezon Landings (34% of cap - 65% of season)



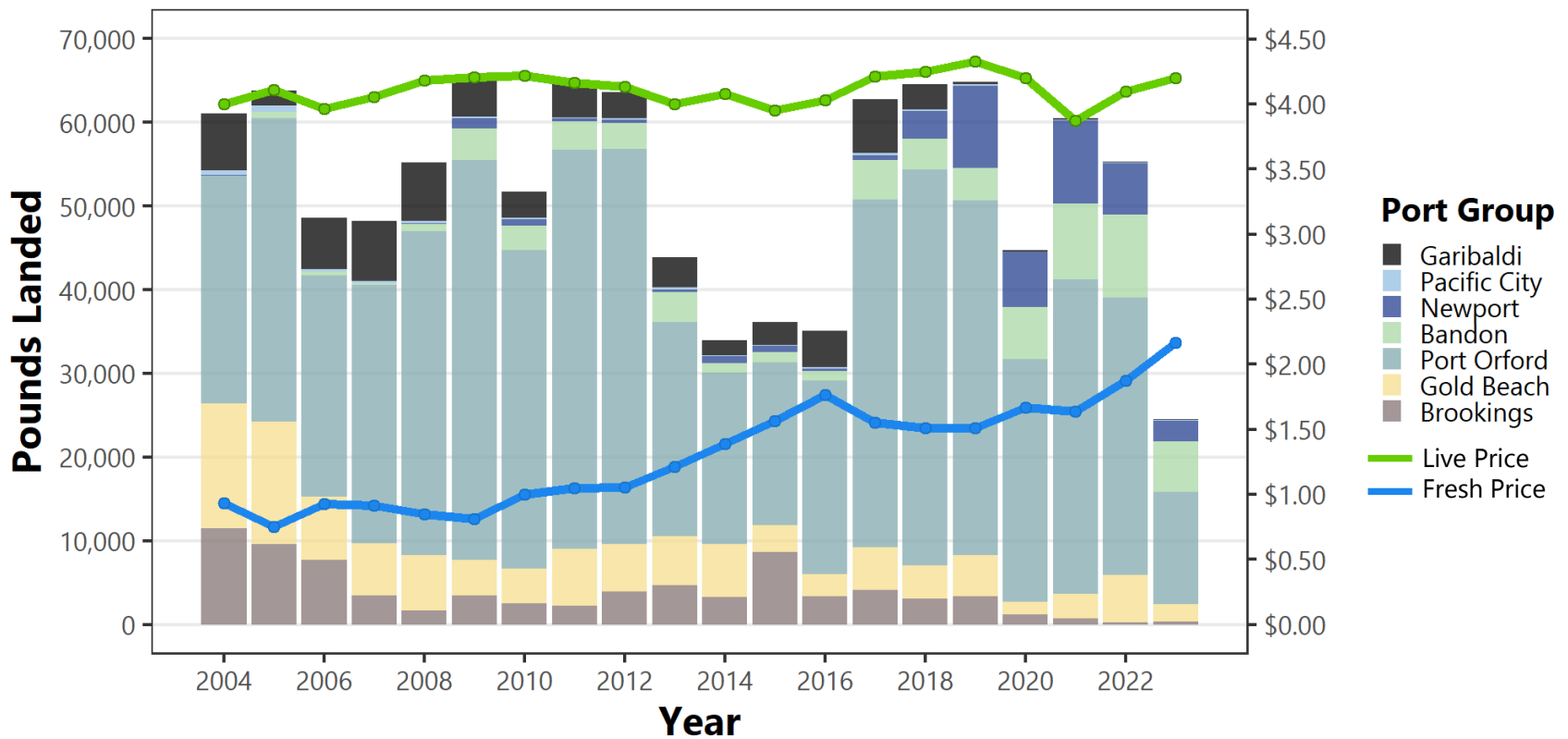
Cumulative Annual Landings





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Cabezon Landings by Port*



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2023 Landings Summary thru 65% of season



Black RF



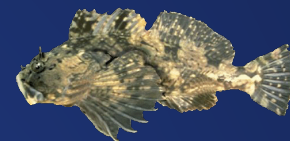
Blue & Deacon RF



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Greenling



Cabezon

**Harvest
Guideline (lbs)**

270,948

34,613

36,597

222,005

71,430

Totals – 8/27

148,955

12,330

12,087

16,618

24,487

% of HG Landed

55%

36%

33%

7.5%

34%

Remainder

121,993

22,283

24,510

205,387

46,943

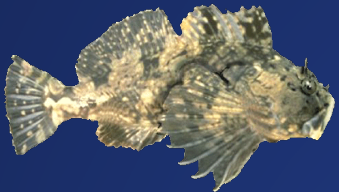


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Management Strategy



Provide sustainable fishing opportunity without exceeding federal and state harvest limits or yelloweye or quillback rockfish impacts.



Predictability

- Bi-monthly "trip" limits set at season start
- Year-round season
- Market supply
- Few or no in-season changes





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Management Process

NOAA Fisheries + Pacific Fishery Management Council

- Stock assessments
- Harvest limits by stock and area

ODFW + Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission

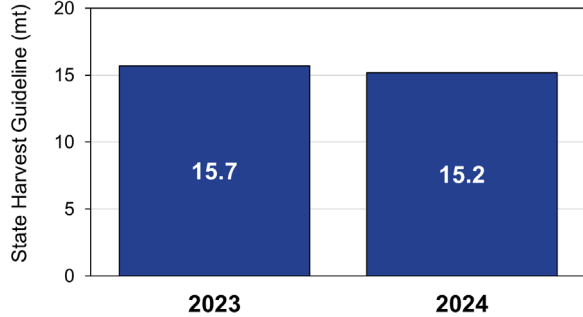
- Harvest Guidelines for sport and commercial fisheries
- Bi-monthly vessel limits and other state regulations
- Commission meeting December 15, 2023
 - McMinnville with virtual option (48-hour advance sign-up)



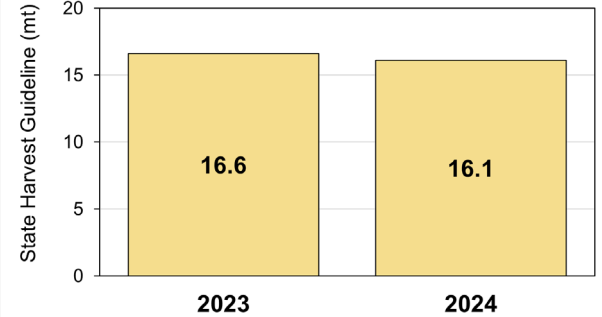
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Commercial Harvest Guidelines

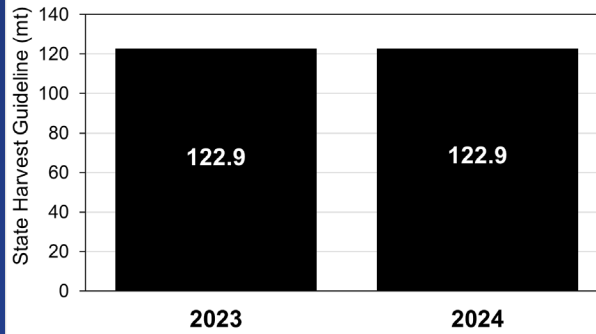
Blue and Deacon Rockfish



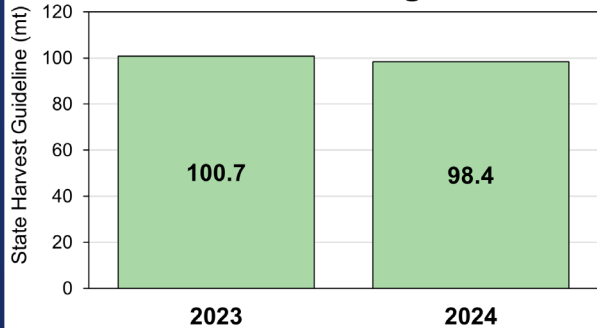
Other Nearshore Rockfish



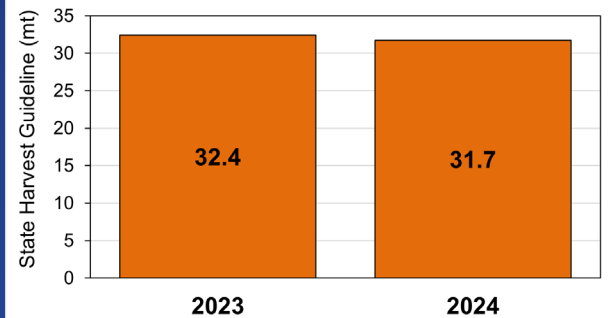
Black Rockfish



Greenling



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Black RF Bimonthly Trip Limits

Species group	2022 Outset	2022 w/ In-season changes	2023 Outset	2023 w/ In-season changes
Black RF				
P1	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800
P2	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800
P3	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400
P4	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,700
P5	1,800	1,800	1,800	2,700
P6	1,800	200	1,800	2,700

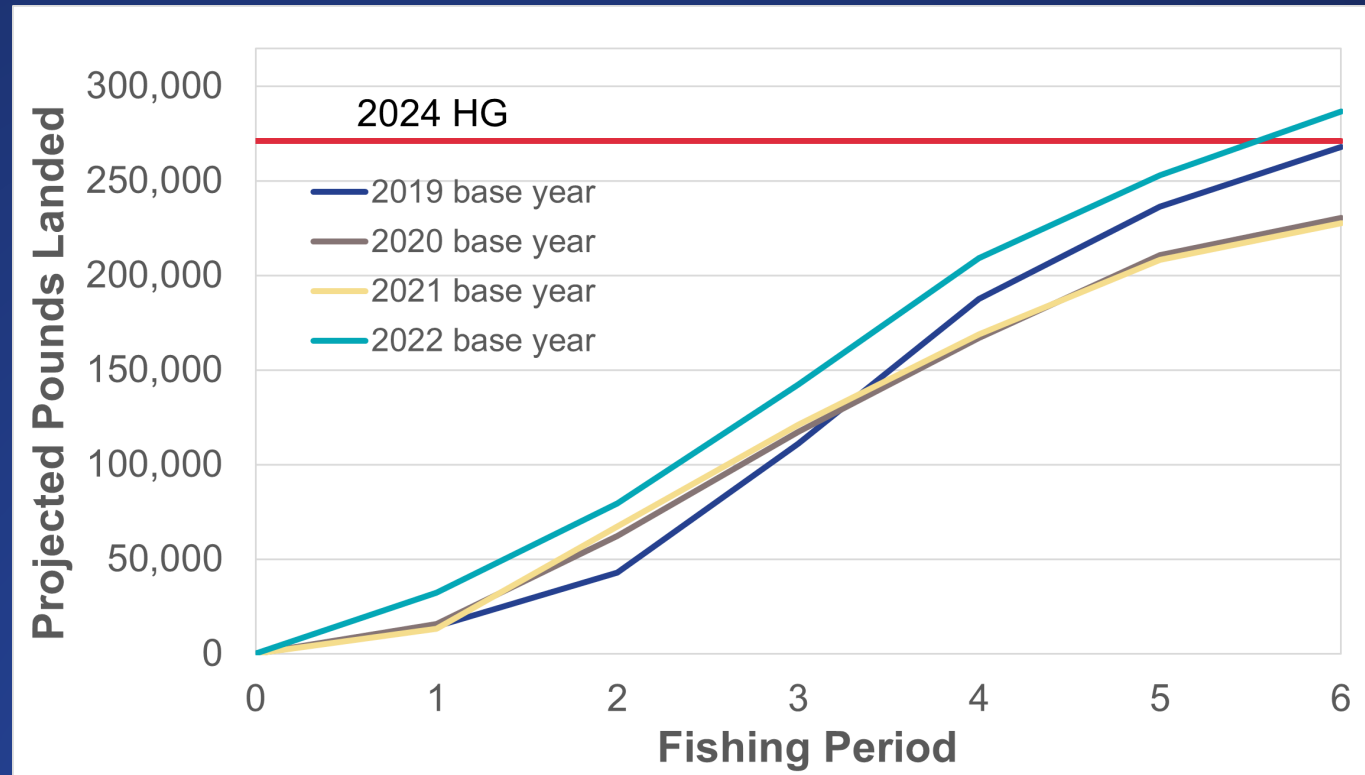


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Black RF Trip Limit Projections

Status Quo Limits

Period	Limit
1	1,800
2	1,800
3	2,400
4	2,400
5	1,800
6	1,800



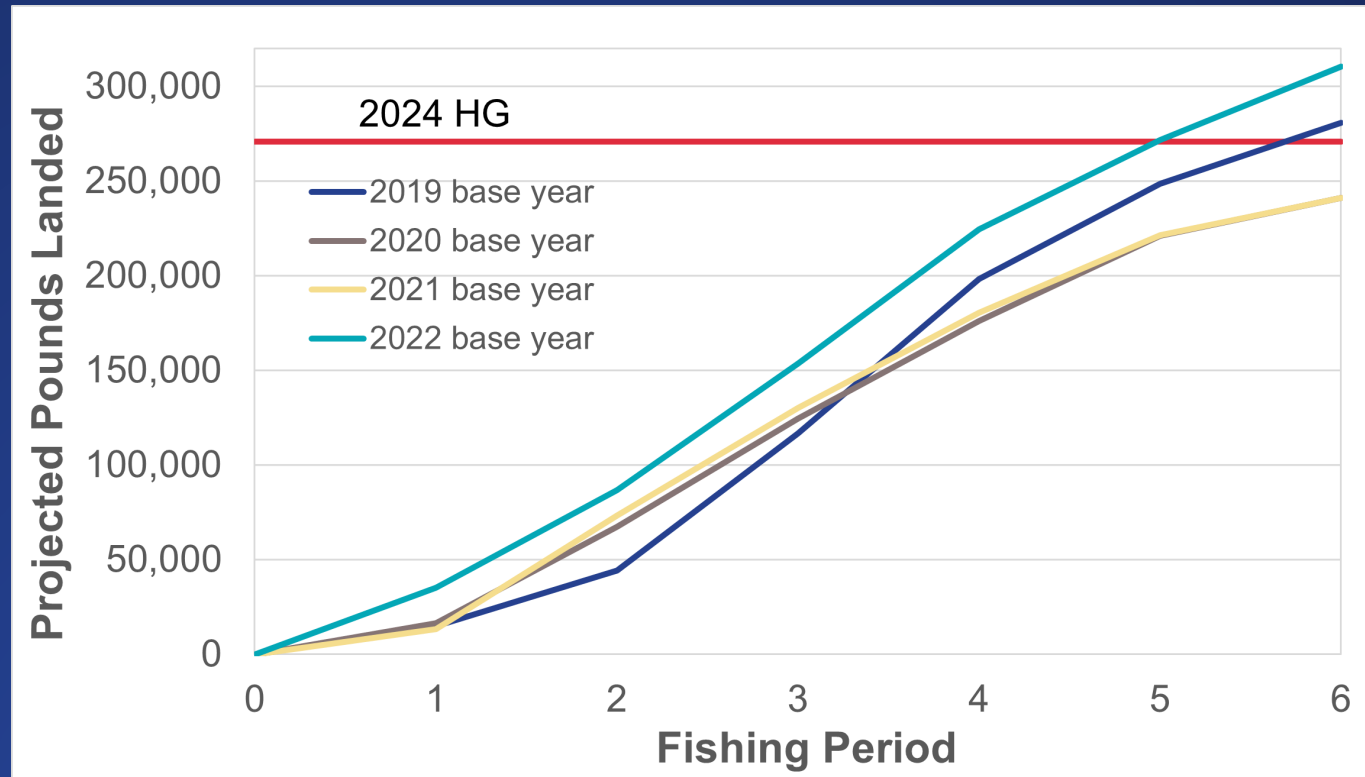


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Black RF Trip Limit Projections

High Limits

Period	Limit
1	2,100
2	2,100
3	2,700
4	2,700
5	2,100
6	2,100



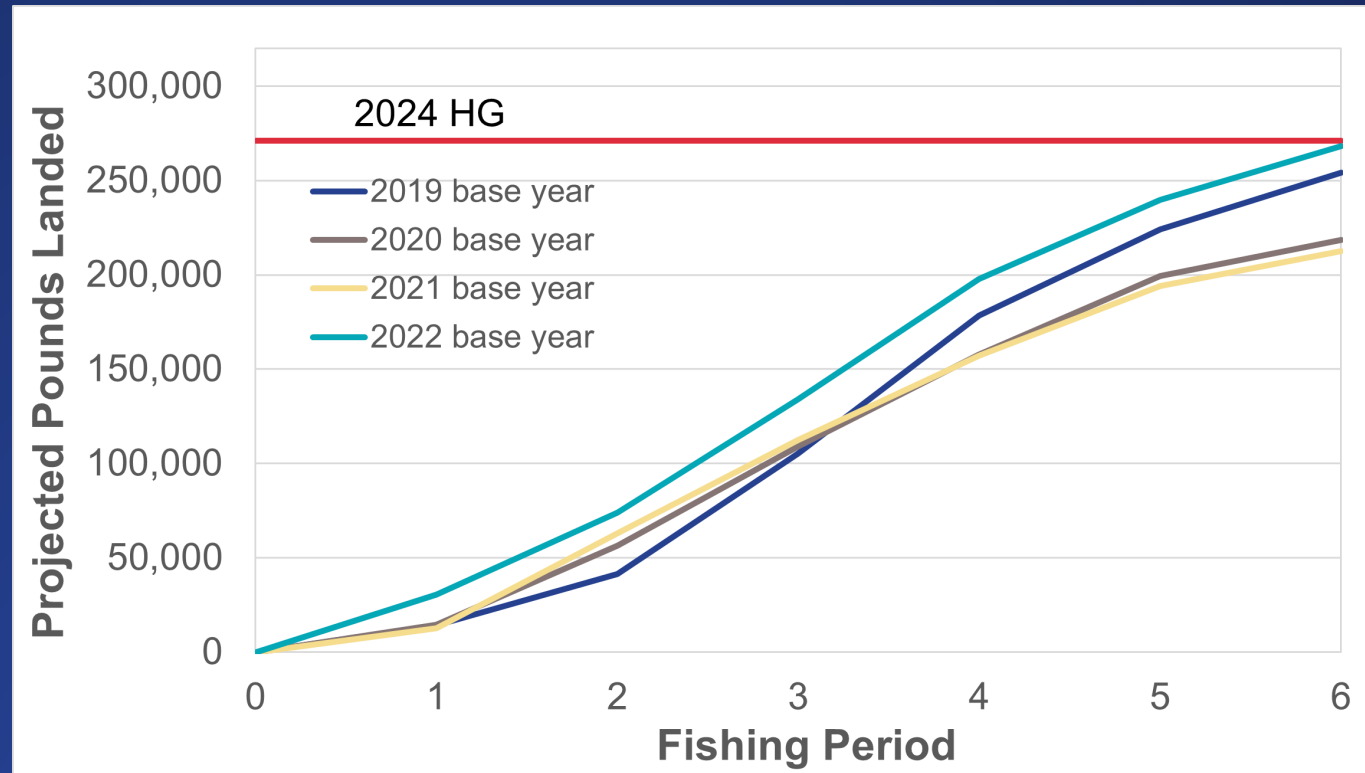


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Black RF Trip Limit Projections

Low Limits

Period	Limit
1	1,500
2	1,500
3	2,100
4	2,100
5	1,500
6	1,500





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Black RF Bimonthly Trip Limits

- * Goal: 2-month cumulative trip limits to achieve a 12-month season in 2024 with few or no in-season adjustments

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P4	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,700	?
P5	1,800	1,800	1,800	2,700	?
P6	1,800	200	1,800	2,700	?



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Other Bimonthly Trip Limits

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Other NS RF	350	350	450	650 (P 4-6)
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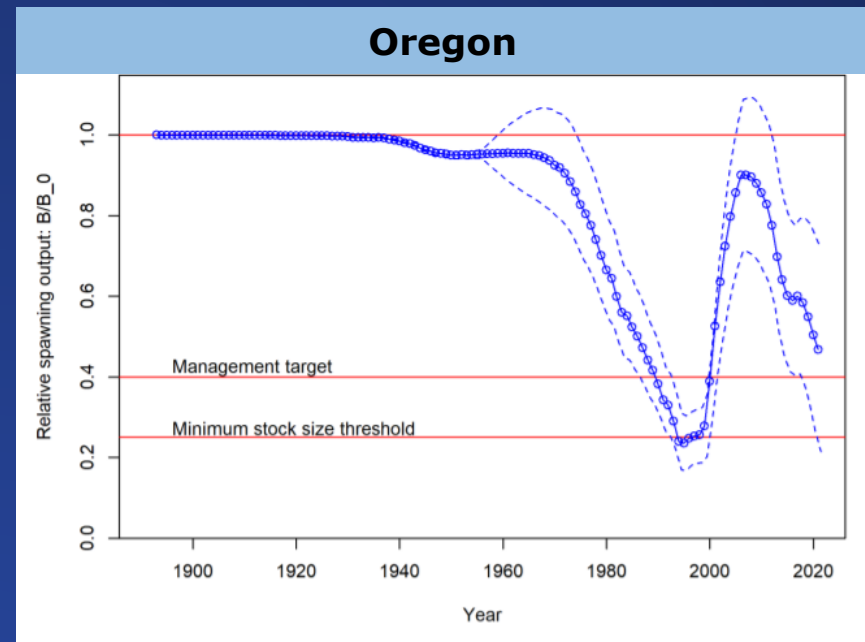


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Quillback Rockfish Management

Prohibition on landing or retaining quillback rockfish in recreational and commercial fisheries

- Stock is “healthy” but small
- Oregon catch exceeded sustainable level for most of last decade
- Allowing retention may push to precautionary zone = lower limits in future
- Prohibiting retention now prevents further depletion and lower limits in future
- Only option to achieve necessary reduction without affecting other species



PLEASE AVOID catching quillback rockfish

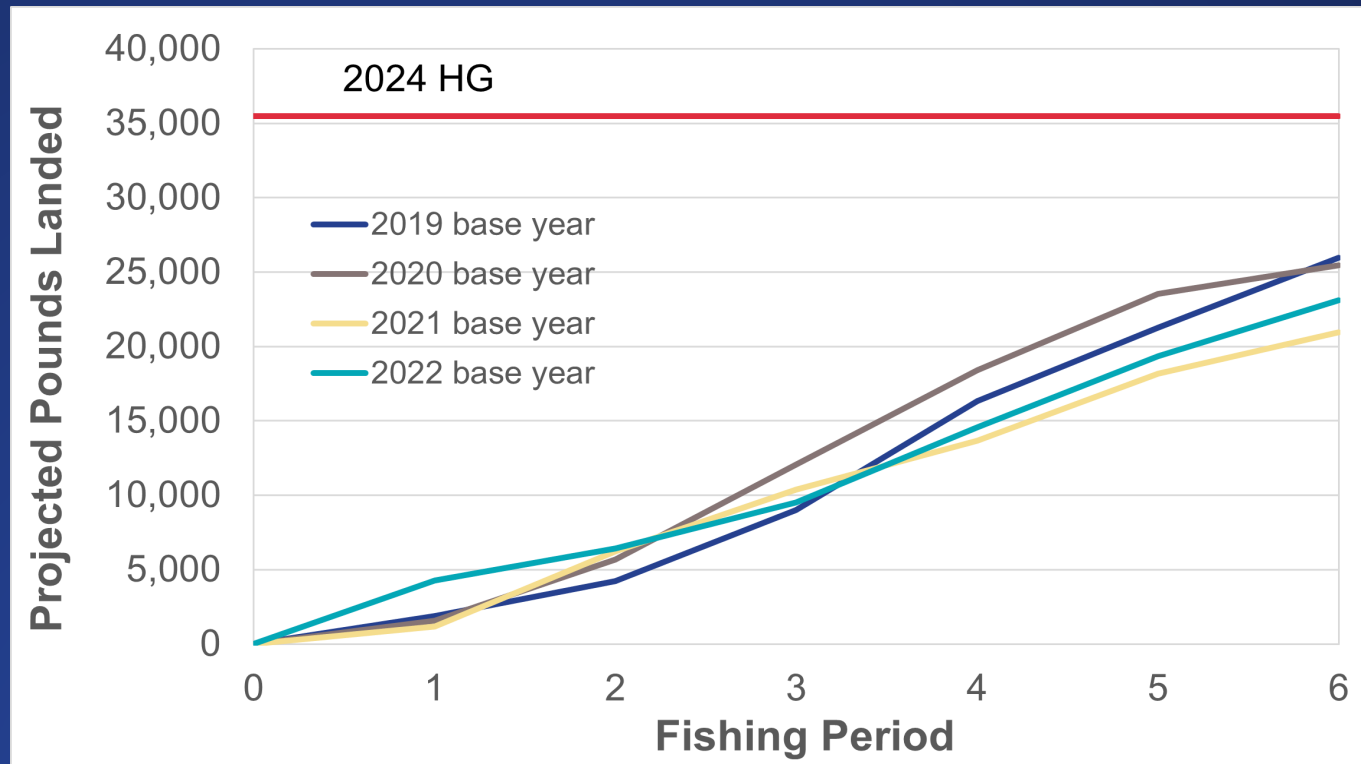


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Other Nearshore RF Trip Limit Projections

Status Quo Limits

Period	Limit
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2	450
3	450
4	450
5	450
6	450



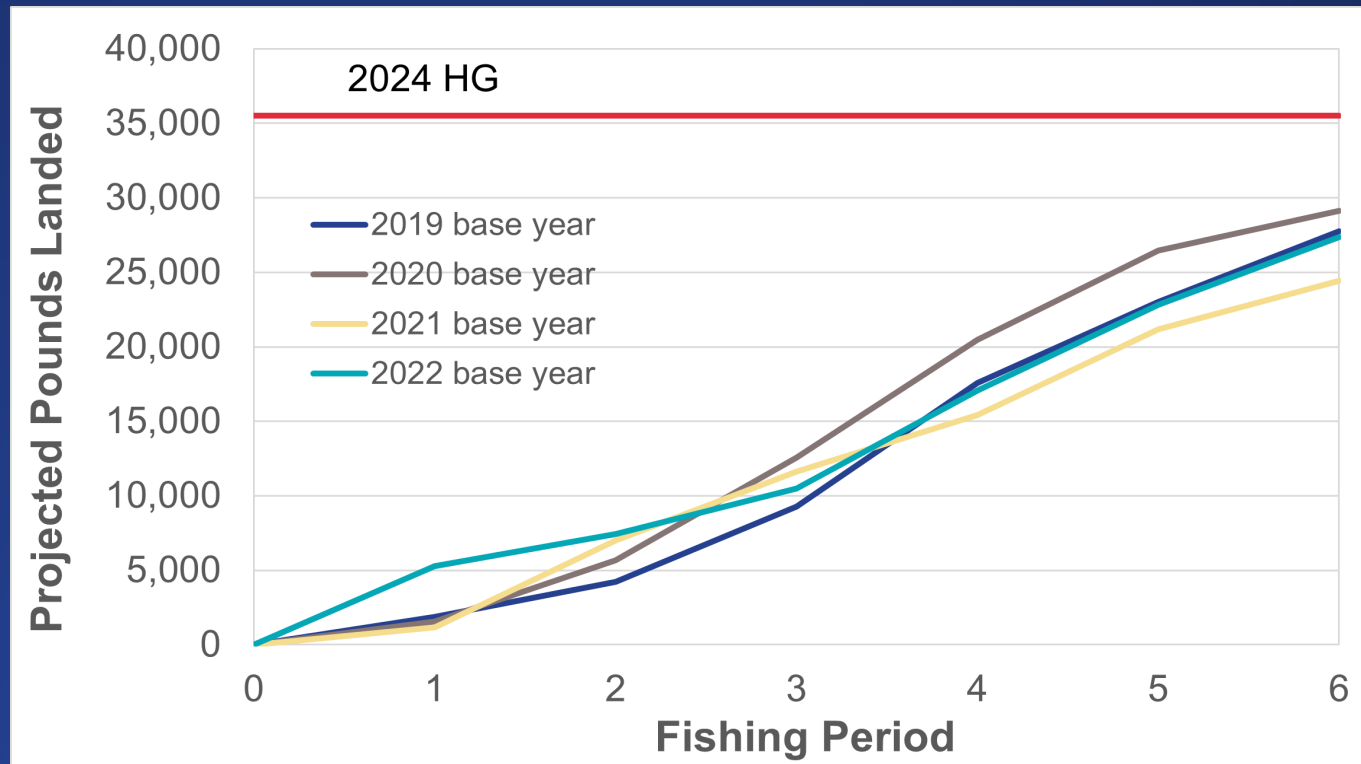


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Other Nearshore RF Trip Limit Projections

High Limits

Period	Limit
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3	700
4	700
5	700
6	700



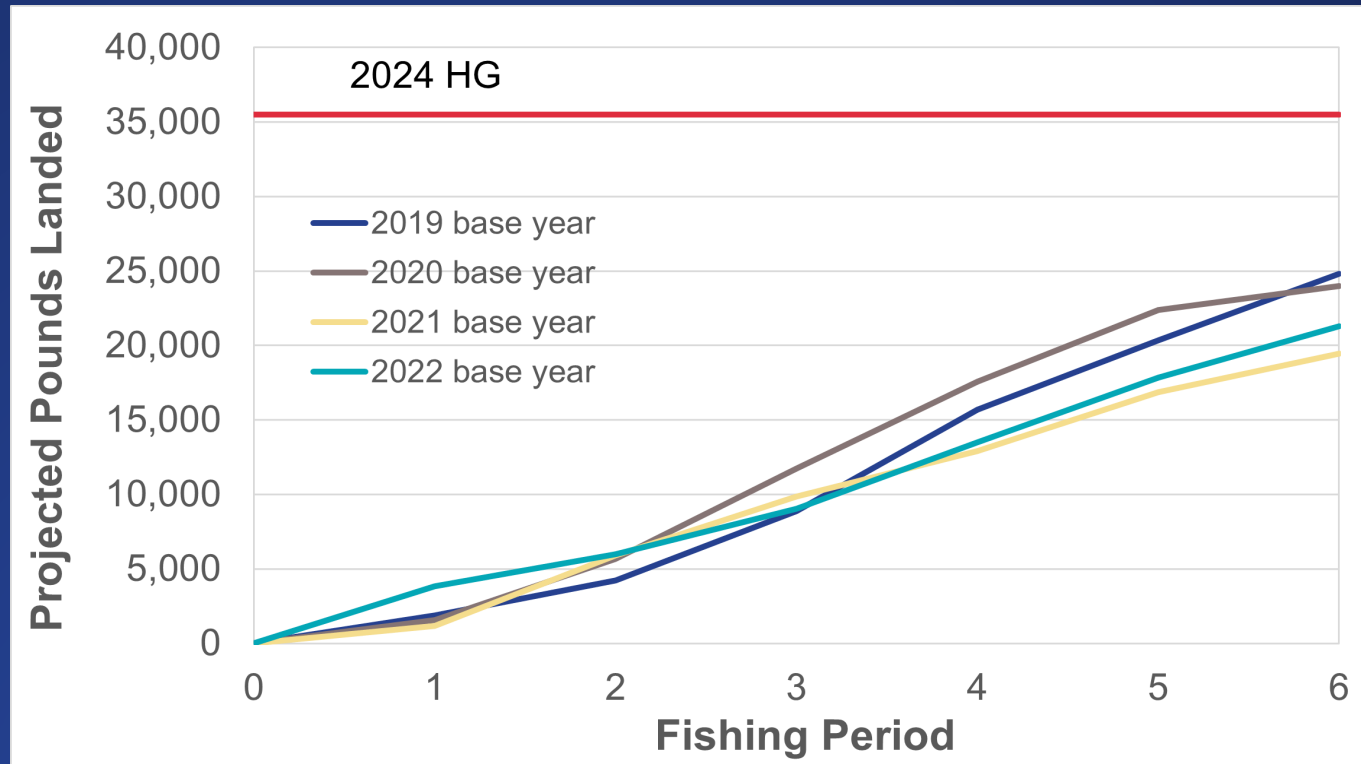


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Other Nearshore RF Trip Limit Projections

Low Limits

Period	Limit
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3	350
4	350
5	350
6	350

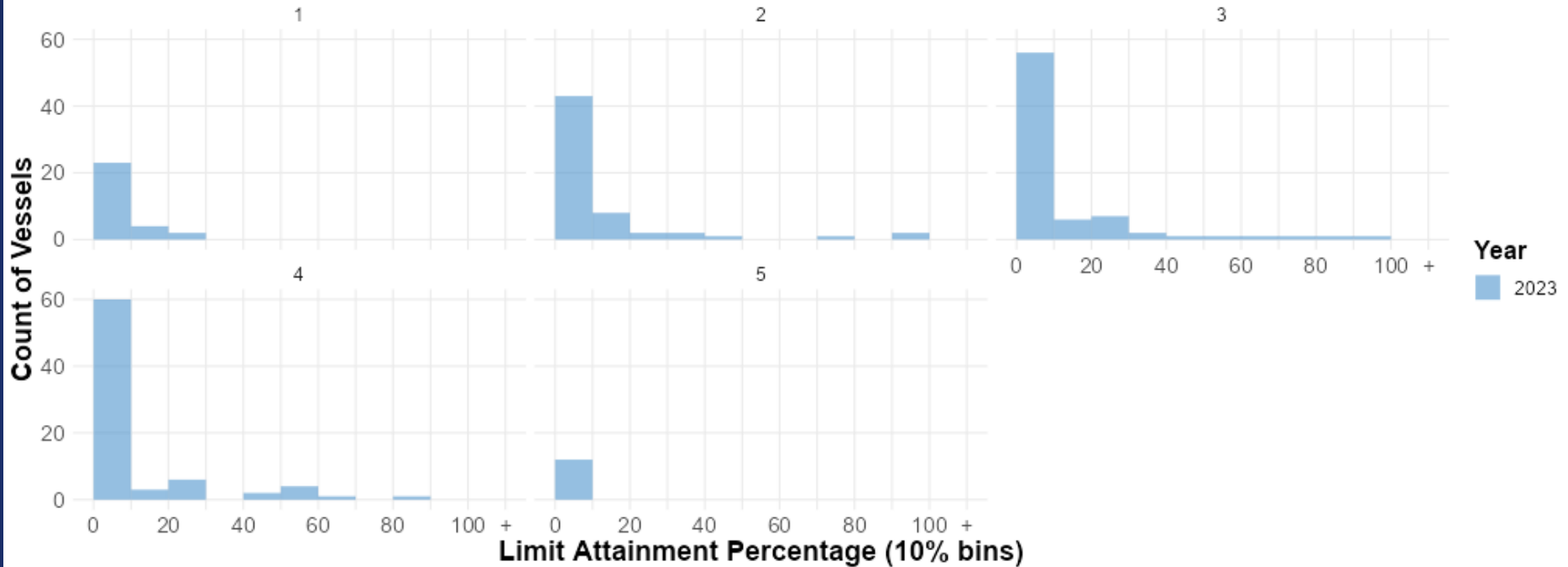




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2023 Other Nearshore Limit Attainment

Histograms of Trip Limit Attainment Percentage by Period



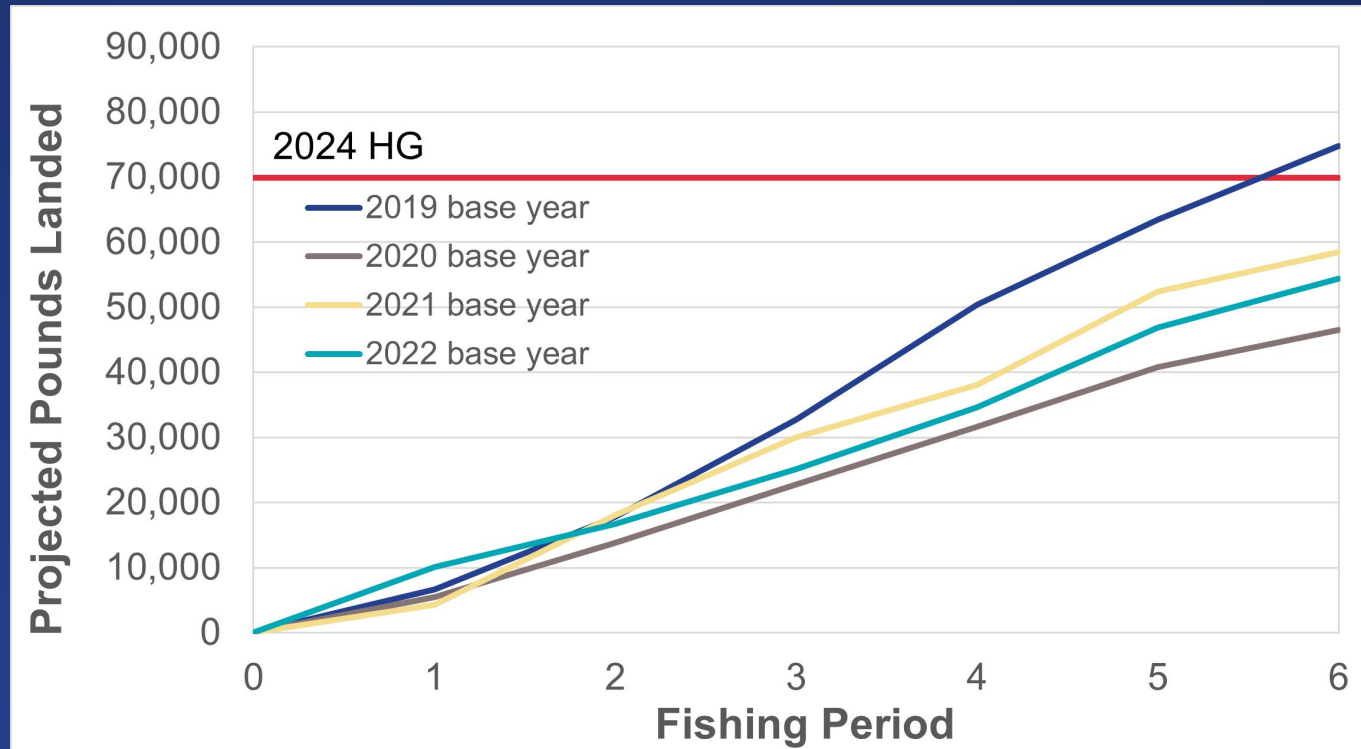


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Cabezon Trip Limit Projections

Status Quo Limits

Period	Limit
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2	1,500
3	1,500
4	1,500
5	1,500
6	1,500



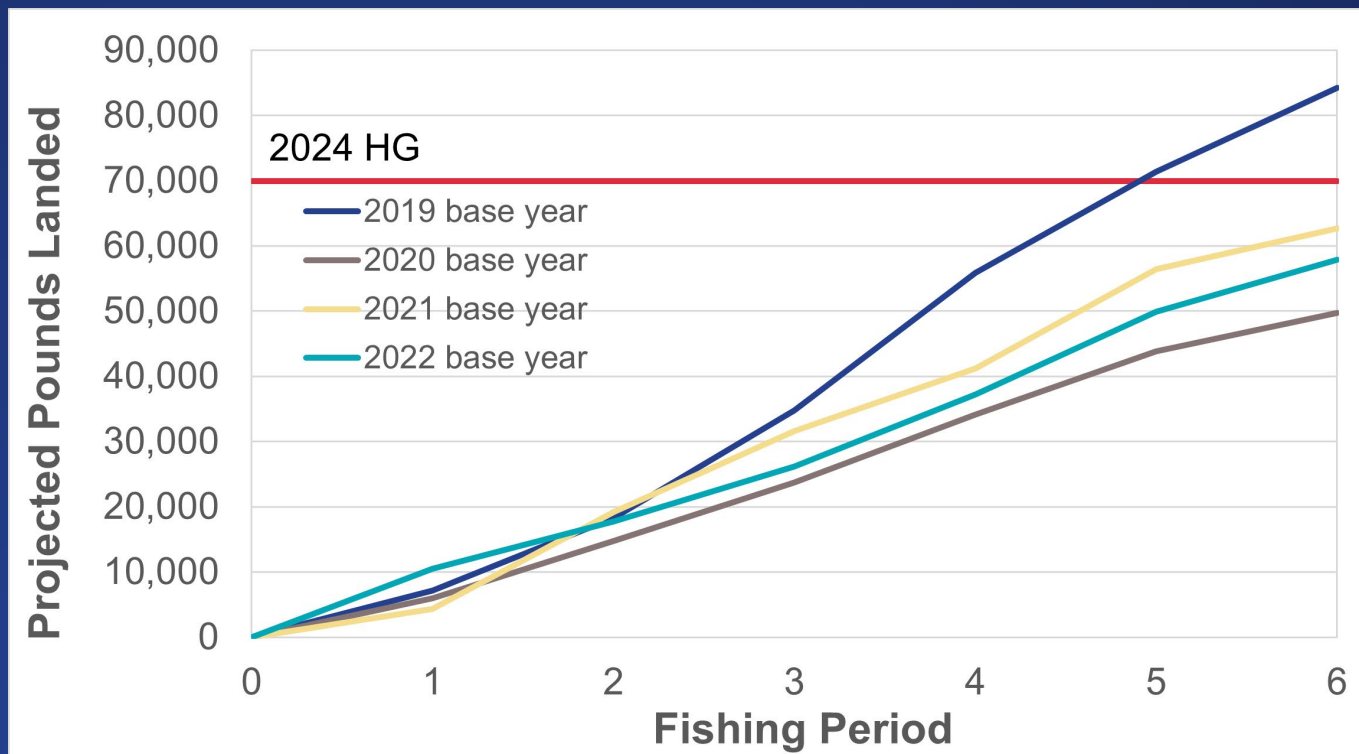


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Cabezon Trip Limit Projections

High Limits

Period	Limit
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4	2,000
5	2,000
6	2,000



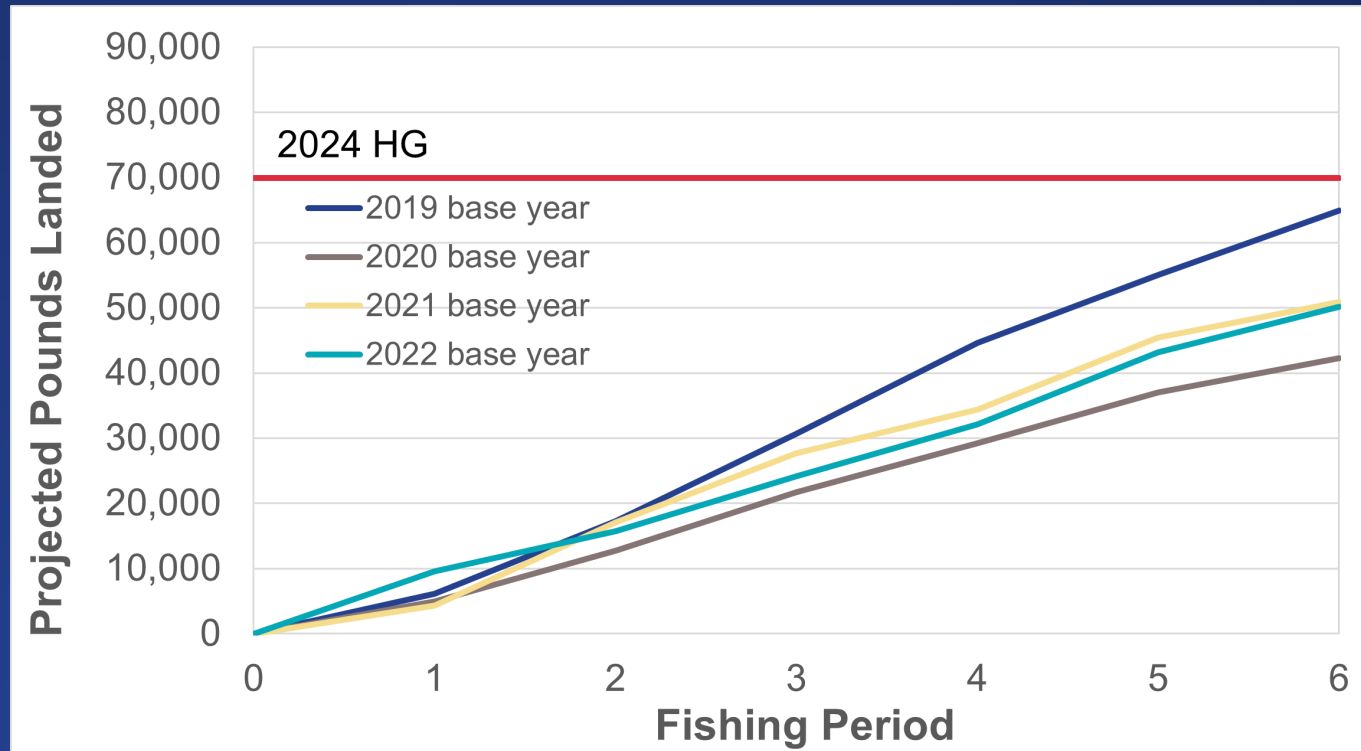


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Cabezon Trip Limit Projections

Low Limits

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4	1,000
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6	1,000





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Other Bimonthly Trip Limits

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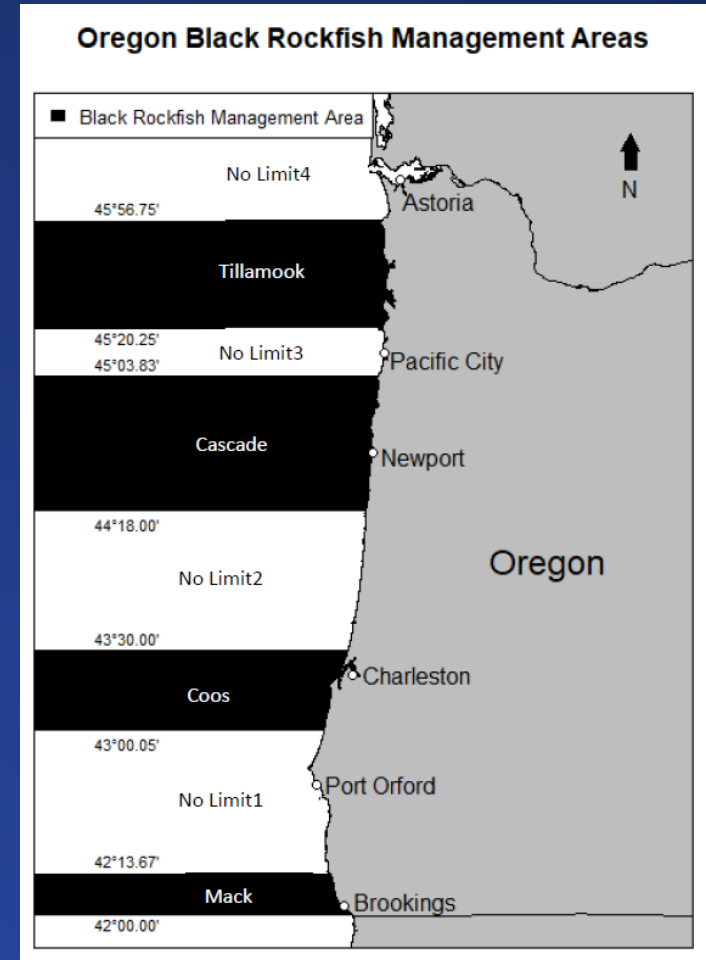
Black Rockfish Management Areas

Daily limit suspended in 2022

Commission extended suspension for an additional 3 years (2023 – 2025)

Re-evaluation

- Logbook data
- Fish ticket landings and effort by port as proxy





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Commercial Nearshore Advisory Panel

- **Advise ODFW on regulation proposals, fishery trends, and in-season changes**
- **Attrition of members over last several years**
- **Revamping membership, purpose and process**
 - Permit holders and buyers
 - Representative of fleet diversity:
 - Port
 - Permit type
 - Gear type
 - Market (live/fresh)
- **Applications due Sep 19, 2023 (mail, email, online form)**



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Commercial Nearshore Advisory Panel

- Dedicated webpage with purpose, membership roster, and other relevant information:

<https://www.dfw.state.or.us/MRP/CNAP/index.asp>

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Commercial Nearshore Advisory Panel

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) is announcing the opening of an application period for the Commercial Nearshore Advisory Panel (CNAP). See the [CNAP application period announcement](#) for full details.

The CNAP was established in 2010 and consists of members that represent the diversity of industry participants (e.g. permit type, home port, fishery interest). Participation has recently declined and ODFW hopes to reinvigorate the panel. Interested parties can apply online or download the application form via the buttons below.

[Apply Online](#) [Download Application](#)

Purpose

The purpose of the CNAP is to provide ODFW with information and industry perspective on the effectiveness and impacts of existing and proposed fishery management measures, in-season changes, current fishery and market conditions, and emerging issues that may need to be addressed. We expect the need for an advisory panel to continue for the foreseeable future.

Meeting schedule


2023 Meetings	Location	Agenda & Materials	Meeting Summary (pdf)
TBD	Virtual	TBD	TBD

Expectations


- Members are expected to represent perspectives of participants who are similarly situated in the fishery, not limited to their own viewpoint. This means reaching out to contacts with similar fishing areas, gear, markets, and/or permit type to get broader input and sharing that with the panel. Members are expected to be courteous, professional, and respectful of all attendees at CNAP meetings. Member names and affiliation will be posted on the ODFW website.
- Meetings of the CNAP will be public and will be announced in advance on the ODFW website. Priority will be given to discussion with members, with a brief opportunity for input from the general public at the end of each meeting, if time allows.
- Meetings will be held at least annually, with additional meetings as needed. In-person attendance is not required, with webinar or conference call options available for all meetings. Meetings will not be recorded, but ODFW staff will take minutes. Meeting summaries will be posted on the ODFW website. ODFW may also solicit CNAP input via email for immediate needs such as in-season adjustments to harvest limits.
- Member terms will be for three years and members may be reappointed at ODFW's discretion. ODFW may also solicit applications for new members at any time to address gaps in representation or emerging needs.

CNAP members

Name	Affiliation	Sector
To be updated upon selection		



Dory boat
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Salmon
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Thank you!

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