



# Proposed Amendments to §28.20, Title 14, CCR Pacific Halibut



Fish and Game Commission Meeting  
December 3, 2014  
Marine Region

# California Allocation History Per PFMC's Catch Sharing Plan

- **2001 through 2013** – California and Southern Oregon combined allocation of approximately 6,000 pounds per year
- **2014** – California given own subarea and is allocated 6,240 pounds
- **2015** – California allocation percentage to increase from **one to four** percent
  - Pounds not known until January International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) meeting

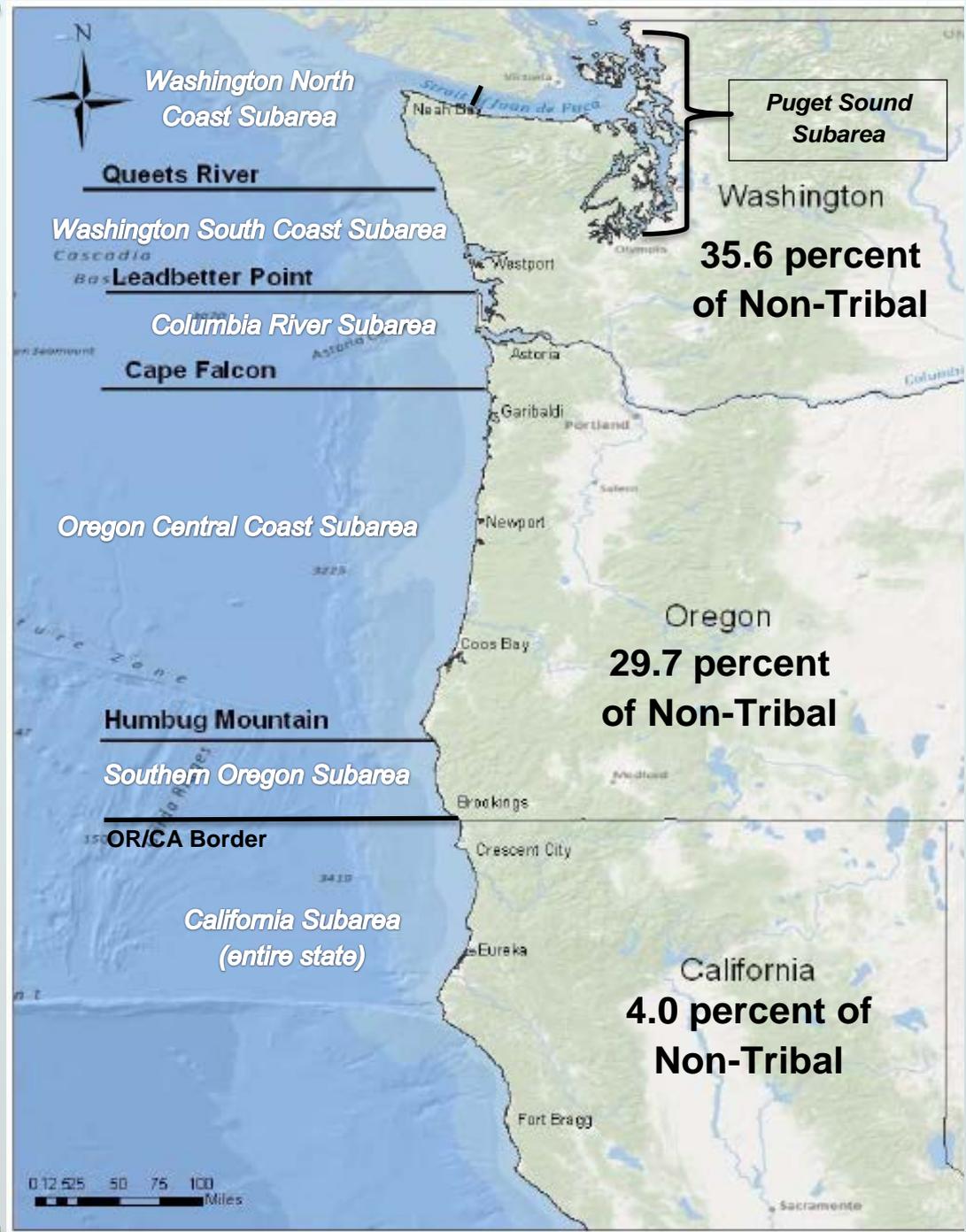
# 2015 2A Total Allowable Catch (TAC)

Tribal Allocation:  
35 percent

Non-Tribal Allocation:  
65 percent

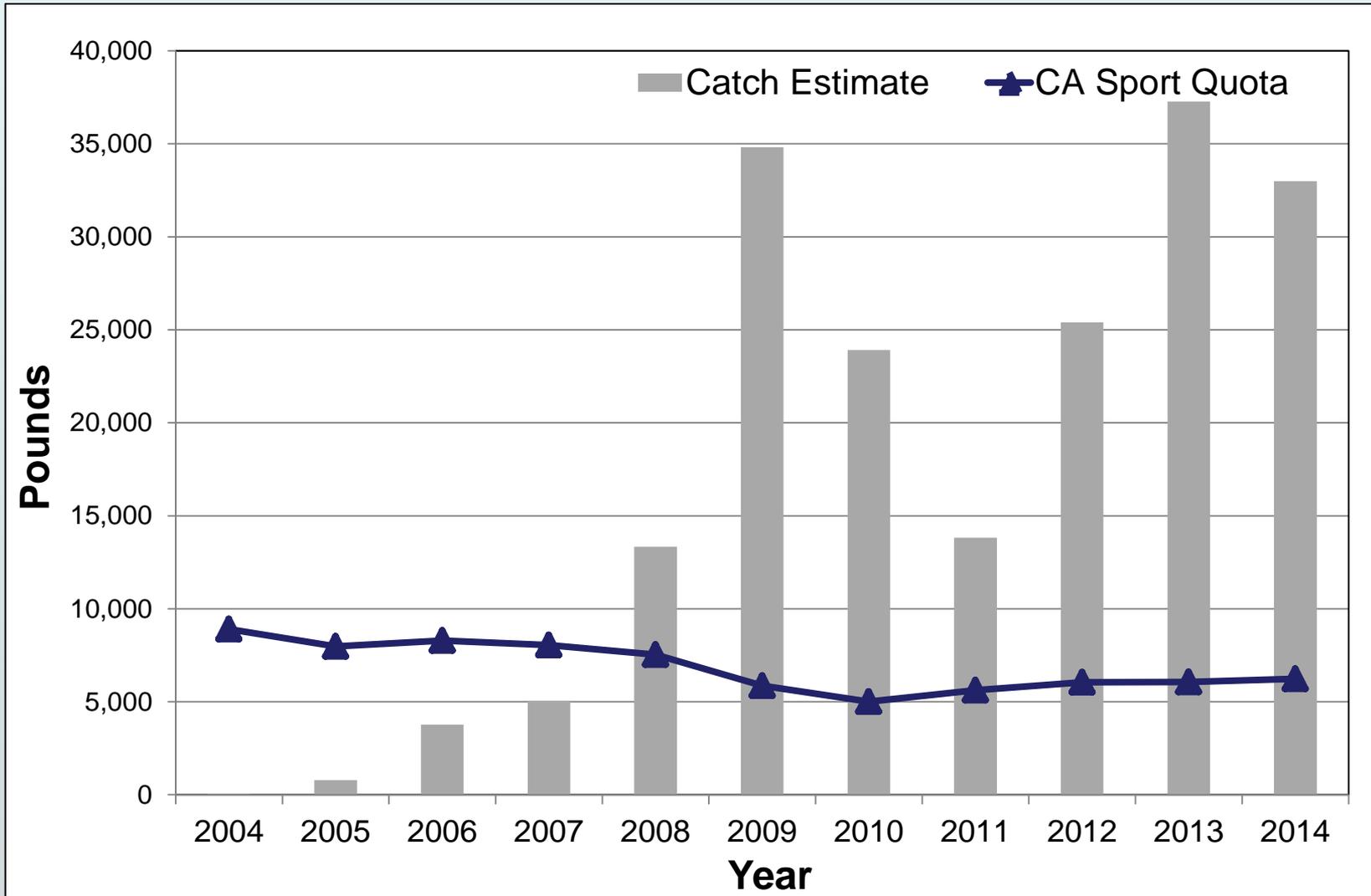
Commercial:  
30.7 percent of non-Tribal

**WA/OR/CA Sport:**



# Recreational Catch Estimates

Since 2008, CA has exceeded quota every year



# Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) Action



- 2015 Council approved changes:
  - Increase California subarea quota to four percent
  - Use of inseason monitoring and management
- Season dates will be set in late January/early February



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- Align state regulations with federal gear restrictions
  - One line with no more than two hooks
- Allow use of harpoons to assist in landing legally caught Pacific halibut
- Anglers should refer to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Pacific halibut telephone hotline for season open/closure dates

# Department Involvement

- Increased involvement at PFMC
- Heightened constituent and community involvement
- Engagement at IPHC
- Department collaboration with Humboldt Area Saltwater Anglers
- 2015 - New weekly catch reporting and inseason management coordination with NMFS
- Redirected staff resources

# Thank You and Questions



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# Timeline for 2015 Regs

IPHC/ PFMC

CDFW/ FGC

