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Area 2A Incidental Commercial Halibut Fishery Closed for Remainder of 2003

The total allowable incidental commercial catch of halibut allocated to the Area 2A salmon troll fishery was 39,300 pounds. Preliminary catch estimates indicate the fishery must be closed to avoid exceeding the catch limit. The incidental halibut fishery during the salmon troll season will close for 2003 on midnight on August 6, 2003. Vessels fishing in the salmon troll fishery south of Cape Falcon must land their halibut by midnight on August 7.

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