

Tide, C. 2007. "A Brief Overview of the Bering Sea Hair Crab Fishery and the Vessel Limited Entry Program." CFEC Rpt. 07-1N.

Abstract:

In 2002 the Alaska State Legislature passed a law authorizing CFEC to implement a vessel-based limitation. CFEC adopted regulations establishing a vessel-based limited entry program in the Bering Sea hair crab fishery in 2003. The law, which allows the vessel-based limitation, expires on December 30, 2008. House Bill 16 was introduced in January 2007 in the 25th Alaska Legislature. The bill would delay the sunset date for the vessel permit program until December 30, 2013. This report provides the Alaska Legislature with a brief overview of the Bering Sea hair crab fishery, the vessel moratorium, and the vessel-based limitation.