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Certificate of Conformity

MSC Fisheries

MRAG Americas certifies that

Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod Fishery
Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation
P.O. Box 2223
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meets the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing, and that the fishery is well managed and sustainable.

Units of Certification (each gear type equals one unit):

Species: *Gadus macrocephalus*

Geographical area: Gulf of Alaska
Area 67

Harvest method: Demersal Trawl, Jig, Longline, Pot

Stock: Pacific Cod - Gulf of Alaska

Certificate Issued by:

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Fisheries Certificate Schedule

Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod Fishery

Client/Certificate Holders:

Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation

Management System: Pacific cod are managed under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act, MSA), with management recommendations from the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council (NPFMC) and implementation through the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Under the MSA, the NMFS must manage fisheries to maintain optimum yield (OY) by rebuilding overfished fisheries and preventing overfishing. Alaska manages a small portion of the Pacific cod fishery in state waters.

Chain of Custody: Most Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod are landed on shore unprocessed, with a portion being processed and frozen at-sea as headed and gutted, frozen fillet blocks, and individually frozen fillets. Chain of custody for unprocessed on-shore landings starts upon delivery to a processing facility. Chain of custody for at-sea processors starts on board at delivery to the factory.

The following MSC certified species from this fishery may be marketed as certified under a catch sharing agreement:

Yellowfin sole, Flathead sole, Arrowtooth flounder, Alaska plaice, Northern rock sole, Kamchatka flounder, Alaska pollock

Bering Sea Aleutian Islands Cod Client Companies Authorized to Sell MSC Certified Pacific Cod:

<https://www.afdf.org/sustainability/msc-pacific-cod/>

