

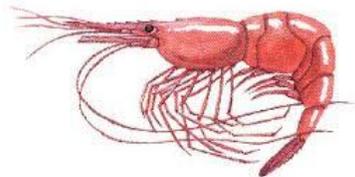
**Cumberland Sound Fisheries Ltd.
&
Pangnirtung Fisheries Ltd. Partnership**

**NWMB-NMRWB
Joint Written Public Hearing
to consider the 2018/19 TAC levels
for Northern and Striped Shrimp
(WAZ & EAZ fishing zones)**

May 4, 2018

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Nunavut Wildlife Management Board
and
Nunavik Marine Region Wildlife Board



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I. Introduction

As recently reported, the CSFL/PFL partnership has had a successful 2017/18 season and the full inshore turbot quota (500 MT) has been landed and processed. As an effort to diversify, the Partnership plans to focus on shrimp in the short term, as diversity is important in our industry. Both market and resource fluctuations can have a major impact our industry in NU

As mentioned in a previous letter (March 25, 2018), harvesting and processing of turbot has been growing steadily in the last few years as reported in our 2016 annual report:

“Benefits to Nunavut and Nunavummiut include employment in the plant at Pangnirtung and self-employment generated from harvesting turbot in the Winter fishery. Regarding seasonal employment during 2016, approximately 30 people (part-time and full-time) were employed at the plant and 60 local residents were involved in the Winter fishery. In addition, a similar number (60) of residents were employed as crew members (helpers) during the inshore Winter fishery. Additionally, there were approximately 30 local fishers licenced, but not active.” Overall, the fishery has been very positive to Nunavummiut, and we look forward to continued success!

The NWMB is planning a joint written hearing on the TAC levels and the sharing arrangement in place for 2017; around May 4, 2018.

Please consider this document as input for the upcoming written Public Hearing.

Essentially, CSFL/PFL feels that it should get a share of both the WAZ and EAZ TACs for Northern & Striped Shrimp. We are proposing an identical sharing arrangement as that outlined in the 2016 Annual Report:

“As recently announced, Northern Shrimp Allocations are to be shared among **BFC, QC and the CSFL/PFL Partnership at the share of 40% / 40% / 20%** respectively once DFO sets the 2018 TAC in SFA1 and SFA2. The CSFL/PFL partnership plans to allocate their share between QC and BFC on a royalty basis.”

With that sharing arrangement for the 2018/19 season, **the Northern & Striped Shrimp TAC's for CSFL/PFL (20%) would be 250 Mt and 674 Mt respectively** in WAZ & EAZ.

With regard to DFO's request: 1) CSFL/PFL supports DFO's current TAC levels (option 3) and 2) CSFL/PFL supports DFO'S recommendation for TAC's in the EAZ for both Northern and Striped Shrimp (option 1).

However, with regards to the sharing arrangements with NK, the partnership feels that any sharing arrangement should be shared among all allocation holders proportionally.

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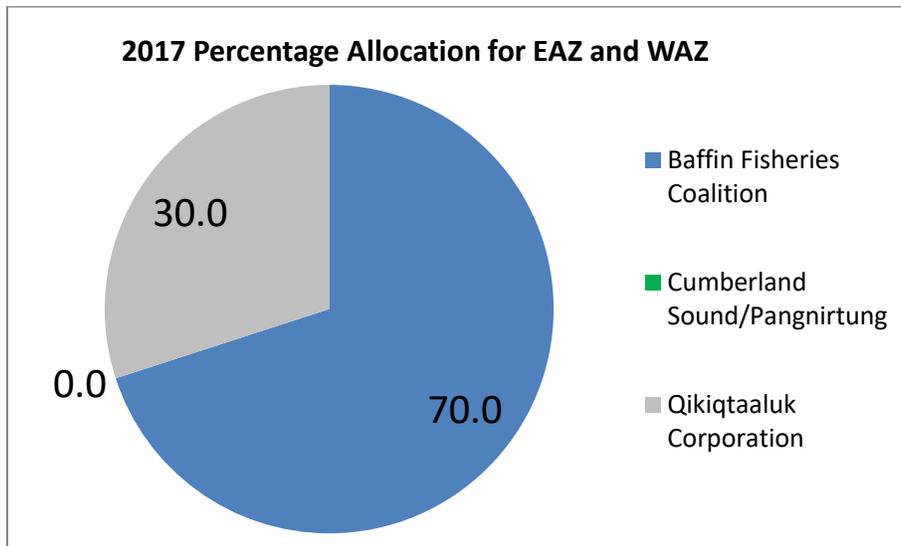
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II. 2017 Allocations

Area	Enterprise	mt	%
SFA 1	BFC	1488.80	40.0%
	CSFL/PFL	744.40	20.0%
	QC	1488.80	40.0%
	sub-total:	3722.00	
Davis Strait East	BFC	914.30	57.0%
	CSFL/PFL	232.60	14.5%
	QC	457.10	28.5%
	sub-total:	1604.00	
Davis Strait West	BFC	379.26	35.0%
	CSFL//PFL	162.54	15.0%
	QC	379.26	35.0%
	AFA	162.54	15.0%
	sub-total:	1083.60	

Nunavut West <i>P.borealis</i>	BFC	728.00	70.0%
	QC	312.00	30.0%
	sub-total:	1040.00	
Nunavut West <i>P.montagui</i>	BFC	2148.30	70.0%
	QC	920.70	30.0%
	sub-total:	3069.00	
Nunavut East <i>P.borealis</i>	BFC	147.00	70.0%
	QC	63.00	30.0%
	sub-total:	210.00	
Nunavut West <i>P.montagui</i>	BFC	210.70	70.0%
	QC	90.30	30.0%
	sub-total:	301.00	



Percentage Allocation for *P.borealis* and *P.montagui* in Nunavut East and Nunavut West

As this pie chart clearly shows, the CSFL/PFL Partnership has no shrimp quota in the WAZ or EAZ fishing zones, and the main purpose of this document is CSFL/PFL’s request to have fair access to the shrimp TACs in these zones.

III. Conclusion

As mentioned earlier, harvesting and processing of turbot has been growing steadily in the last few years as reported in our 2016 annual report:

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In addition to this report (on the proposed sharing arrangement in WAZ & EAZ, CSFL/PFL is requesting that the benefits (received/generated) be quantified for each allocation holder (shrimp and turbot).

On a separate issue, CSFL/PFL plans to investigate opportunities that may exist for adding value to shrimp at the operation in Pangnirtung.

IV. Appendices

#1: NWMB/NMRWB Hearing Rules

NWMB_Purpose and Rules_Joint Written Hearing TAC in WAZ and EAZ_ENG.pdf

March 26rd, 2018

THE PURPOSE of this Nunavut Wildlife Management Board (NWMB) and Nunavik Marine Region Wildlife Board (NMRWB) joint written public hearing is to consider Fisheries and Oceans Canada's Proposal for Decision to the Boards (Proposal) seeking recommendations and decisions on the 2018/19 total allowable catch levels for Northern and Striped shrimp in the Eastern and Western Assessment Zones. The Proposal also requests decisions from NWMB and NMRWB about the sharing arrangements for shrimp between management units in the Nunavut Settlement Area and the Nunavik Marine Region. The Proposal, along with other documents comprising the best available information to date, is available for review or download from the NWMB's website (www.nwmb.com).

HEARING RULES:

1. The NWMB shall provide notice to the public at least sixty (42) days prior to the deadline for filing hearing submissions.
2. Any interested person or body may file with the NWMB a written submission and supporting documentation¹ in response to Fisheries and Oceans Canada Proposal, or otherwise regarding the proposed *NWMB-NMRWB joint written public hearing to consider the 2018/19 total allowable catch levels for Northern and Striped Shrimp* by no later than 5:00 p.m. (Iqaluit time) on May 04th, 2018.
3. Unless persuasive written and translated reasons are provided to the NWMB for late filing, the NWMB will not consider materials for this hearing that are not filed on time.
4. The requirement for translation of submissions and supporting documentation filed with the NWMB does not apply to individual members of the public.
5. For all others who file supporting documentation with the NWMB, the requirement for translation does not apply to such documents over ten (10) pages in length, as long as each supporting document that is not translated is accompanied by a concise, translated summary (English and Inuktitut) at least two (2) pages in length.
6. The NWMB shall ensure that all materials filed with it or produced by it are made publicly available, subject to relevant confidentiality or privacy concerns.
7. Any representative or agent of the Government of Canada or Government of Nunavut, and Hunters and Trappers Organization, Local Nunavimmi Umajulirijiit Katujjiqatigiinninga, Regional Wildlife Organization, or the Regional Nunavimmi Umajulirijiit Katujjiqatigiinninga and any Inuk shall be accorded the status of party for the hearing.
8. Unless invited by the NWMB to be a party, any other person or body wishing to be named as a party by the NWMB shall make an appropriate request in writing to the NWMB.

¹ "Supporting documentation" refers to one or more studies, articles, opinions or other documents separate from a person's or organization's written submission, filed as additional evidence and/or argument in support of that person's or organization's submission.

#2: DFO Consultation and Record of Recommendations for 2018 TAC

DFO_Consultation Summary and Record of Recommendations_Joint Written Hearing TAC in WAZ and EAZ_ENG

Consultation Summary and Record of Recommendations for 2018/19 Total Allowable Catches of Northern and Striped Shrimp in the Eastern Assessment Zone and Western Assessment Zone

The Department held an Indigenous Pre-Meeting of the Northern Shrimp Advisory Committee on March 6 with Indigenous Groups of the Northern Shrimp Advisory Committee (NSAC). It was well attended by the following groups, with the first 7 groups having direct interests in the Eastern and Western Assessment Zones (EAZ and WAZ):

1. Nunavut Tunngavik Inc.
2. Nunavut Wildlife Management Board
3. Nunavut Fishery Association
4. Torngat Fish Producers Co-Op
5. Baffin Fisheries Coalition
6. Qikiqtaaluk Corporation
7. Makivik Corporation
8. NunatuKavut Community Council
9. Innu Nation
10. Torngat Fisheries Management Board
11. Nunatsiavut Government
12. Northern Coalition

In addition to the above Indigenous groups, Cumberland Sound / Pangnirtung Fisheries, Arctic Fisheries Alliance and the Nunavik Marine Region Wildlife Board received invitations to attend.

At the Indigenous Pre-Meeting, the Department gave an overview of the Science update, and management options as outlined in the Briefing Note / Addendum to the Boards for the WAZ and the EAZ, noting that the views of the offshore fleet and other stakeholders would be solicited at the NSAC meeting the following day for the EAZ. The Department invited participants to provide their views on TACs in both areas, with a reminder that the Nunavut and Nunavik Boards have a decision making role in WAZ, and a decision and advice role in the EAZ. The Department encouraged Nunavut and Nunavik industry to make their views on TACs known to their respective Board, especially in the WAZ, which would not be discussed the following day at NSAC. Stakeholders did not provide comments or views on the 2018/19 TACs in either area at this meeting.

The NSAC meeting (March 7, 2018) was attended by the above mentioned groups, as well as provincial governments from Atlantic Canada and Quebec, the offshore and inshore fleets, licence holders, processors, individual harvesters and fleet chairs. The Department asked for stakeholder recommendations for TACs for both species in the EAZ.

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Stakeholder views for the EAZ:

- The Canadian Association of Prawn Producers (CAPP), the Northern Coalition (NC) and the Nunavut Fisheries Association (NFA) supported a 7,840t TAC which is a 20% exploitation rate (ER) for Borealis.

- CAPP, the NC and NFA called for a rollover of 840t Montagu (3.4% ER).

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#3: Map of Fishing Zones

Map:

Blue areas – Eastern Assessment Zone.

Green areas – Western Assessment Zone.

