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2009 Oregon Dungeness Crab Quality Test Results

The second round of preseason Dungeness crab quality testing was conducted in areas that required a follow up test on November 2nd and 3rd. Results indicate that crab from all areas in Oregon now satisfy the meat recovery criteria required in the Tri-State protocols. Crab were also collected for toxin testing and analyzed by the Oregon Department of Agriculture. The results of those tests indicate that the levels of both domoic acid and PST are below any alert levels.

Area	October Meat Recovery %	November Meat Recovery %
Astoria	24.5	Not repeated
Garibaldi	N/A	28.1
Newport	25.3	Not repeated
Coos Bay	28.0	Not repeated
Port Orford	22.7	24.6
Brookings	23.8	25.0

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Please contact me if you have any questions about the preseason test results,

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