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2010 Oregon Dungeness Crab Quality Test

Preseason Dungeness crab quality testing was conducted along the entire Oregon coast on October 18th and 19th. Results indicate that the crab from Newport already satisfy the meat recovery criteria required in the Tri-State protocols. The crab collected in the five remaining areas (Astoria, Garibaldi, Charleston, Port Orford and Brookings areas) will be retested in early November. During that same time, crab will be collected for toxin testing by the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Results of those tests will be reported as soon as they are available.

| Area | Meat Recovery % |
|-------------|-----------------|
| Astoria | 18.5 |
| Garibaldi | 21.3 |
| Newport | 24.9 |
| Coos Bay | 24.3 |
| Port Orford | 18.6 |
| Brookings | 18.2 |

I would like to thank all of those involved with the testing; the staff at Hallmark Fisheries in Charleston, Newport, Brookings, and Port Orford, staff at Bornstein Seafoods in Astoria, staff at Deep Water Seafoods in Garibaldi, the Oregon Dungeness Crab Commission, ODFW volunteer observers, and the captains and crew of the crabbing vessels that make this possible.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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