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2005 Northern California Dungeness Crab Quality Test – Interim Report

The protocol that governs the test of Dungeness crab quality in northern California sets a minimum recovery goal of 25% rounded to the nearest whole integer.

During the third test of 2005, December 5 through December 7, a total of 3,388 crabs were landed for the crab quality test. These crab yielded a combined green weight of 6,560 pounds and 1734.8 pounds of meat recovered for a combined Northern California recovery rate of 26.4%. These results include the 2 regular sites of Pelican Bay and Klamath in the Crescent City Area. The Dec 7 test also added a third Crescent City site off the harbor. The table below shows results for the regular two Crescent City sites as well as each of the 3 sites separately and averaged. The crab meat was provided to non-profit organizations in the Eureka and Ft Bragg areas.

The recovery percentages for this test by port and by combined ports were:

Recovery %	Crescent City	Trinidad	Eureka	Ft. Bragg	Combined
Nov 1	19.8%	22.6%	23.1%	23.8%	22.3%
Nov 17	22.8%	23.8%	26.8%	25.1%	24.6%
Dec 7	24.3%	26.6%	28.5%	26.4%	26.4%
Crescent City	Dec 7	Pelican Bay	Site 3	Klamath	Combined
		22.6%	27.1%	27.3%	25.2%

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions.

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