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2009 Oregon Dungeness Crab Quality Test

Preseason Dungeness crab quality testing was conducted along the entire Oregon coast on October 19th and 20th. Results indicate that the crab from Astoria, Newport, and Coos Bay already satisfy the meat recovery criteria required in the Tri-State protocols. The crab collected in the 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	24.5
Garibaldi	N/A
Newport	25.3
Coos Bay	28.0
Port Orford	22.7
Brookings	23.8

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, Nick and Hugh at the Oregon Dungeness Crab Commission, ODFW observers, and the captains and crew of the crabbing vessels that make this possible.

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

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