

## MEMORANDUM

TO:	California Dungeness crab community and General Public
FROM:	DCTF Administrative Team
DATE:	April 27, 2012 SUBJECT: Report from the California Dungeness crab task force to the Director of the Department of Fish and Game

The California Dungeness crab task force (DCTF) Administrative Team is pleased to announce that the DCTF's final recommendations on the commercial tiered trap limit program are now available for download at:

http://www.opc.ca.gov/webmaster/ftp/project\_pages/dctf/SB369\_(Evans,2011)/DCTF\_Final\_ReportTrapLimitProgram\_042712.pdf

Pursuant to SB 369, the DCTF is directed to review and provide recommendations to the Director of the California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) on DFG's proposed tiered trap limit program. This report fulfills the mandate, and was submitted to the Director on April 27, 2012.

The DCTF will continue its work with the objective of making additional recommendations related to the management of the Dungeness crab fishery to the Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture, the California Department of Fish and Game, and the Fish and Game Commission by January 15, 2015 and January 15, 2017.

The DCTF was established pursuant to the requirements of Senate Bill 369. The DCTF will review the current management of the Dungeness crab fishery, including the commercial Dungeness crab trap limit program, and recommend potential Dungeness crab management changes to California legislature and regulators.

For more information about the DCTF, please visit the OPC's Website: <u>http://www.opc.ca.gov/2009/04/dungeness-crab-task-force/</u> or contact the DCTF Admin Team at <u>crabs@scc.ca.gov</u> or 805-845-9852. Thank you for your interest in California's Dungeness crab resource management.