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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 first test of 2005, October 29 through November 1, a total of 1,133 crabs were landed for the crab quality test, 150 crab from 6 different locations and 115 and 118 crab from 2 other locations. These crab yielded a combined green weight of 2,201 pounds and 490.5 pounds of meat recovered for a combined Northern California recovery rate of 22.3%. The crab meat was provided to the Ft. Bragg Senior Citizen Center and the Eureka Senior Citizens Center.

In addition to the quality test crab 48 crab (six from each of the 8 test sites) were provided to the California Department of Health Services for domoic acid testing. The results of this test are not available at this time and will be distributed by the Department when available.

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

	Crescent City	Trinidad	Eureka	Ft. Bragg	Combined
Recovery %	19.8%	22.6%	23.1%	23.8%	22.3%

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

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