

Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Rationalization Social Study
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Semi-structured Interview Guidance

Interview themes have been revised and designed primarily based on the experience of two prior data collection efforts under the original authorization. These interviews aim to: 1) allow for the introduction of information researchers may have missed but participants feel is very important to capture, 2) to expand upon provided by the study participant, and 3) to guide interviews where respondents declined to participate in the survey.

Guidance for all participants

1. Determine what is important to an individual that was not captured through the survey.
2. Determine the importance of the role the individual plays in the industry that may *not* have not been captured otherwise.
3. Identify concerns not otherwise captured.
4. Explore a better understanding of the impacts of the catch shares program on other fisheries.

Guidance for crew

1. How has their job changed as a result of catch shares management?
2. How has their involvement in other fisheries changed as a result of catch shares management?
3. Explore job finding/job stability under a catch shares management program.

Guidance for observers

1. Explore relationship changes as a result of the catch shares program (between observers and various members of the vessels, crew, captains, owners, etc.).
2. Explore arrangements with observer companies that did not exist prior to the catch shares management.

Guidance for Industry Suppliers

1. Business changes as a result of catch shares management.

2. Business relationship changes as a result of catch shares management.

Guidance for Harbormasters

1. Changes in the harbor as a result of catch shares management.
2. Consolidation?
3. Infrastructure changes?

Guidance for Fixed Gear

1. How affected by catch shares management.
2. Gear switching activities.
3. Geographic shift activities.