



# Certificate of Conformity

## MSC Fisheries

**MRAG Americas certifies that**

Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod Jig Fishery  
Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation  
P.O. Box 2223  
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**meets the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing, and that the fishery is well managed and sustainable.**

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17-June-2020

**Unit of Certification:**

Species: *Gadus macrocephalus*

Geographical area: Gulf of Alaska  
Area 67

Harvest method: Jig

Stock: Pacific Cod - Gulf of Alaska

**Certificate Issued by:**

MRAG Americas Certification Committee

**Signature**

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**Management System:** Pacific cod are managed under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act, MSA), with management recommendations from the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council (NPFMC) and implementation through the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Under the MSA, the NMFS must manage fisheries to maintain optimum yield (OY) by rebuilding overfished fisheries and preventing overfishing. Alaska manages a small portion of the Pacific cod fishery in state waters.

**Chain of Custody:** Traceability of product to the point of offload is excellent, and BSAI Pacific cod may enter the MSC certified chain of custody. Product is generally processed at sea and landed as headed and gutted, frozen fillet blocks and individually frozen fillets; unprocessed fish may be landed at on-shore processing facilities. Chain of custody starts after the first point of sale; the first purchaser must obtain CoC certification. All licensed Pacific cod fishing vessels in the GOA may participate in the fishery.

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The following MSC certified species from this fishery may be marketed as certified under a catch sharing agreement.

Yellowfin sole	<i>Pleuronectes asper</i> also known as <i>Limanda aspera</i>
Flathead sole	<i>Hippoglossoides elassodon</i>
Arrowtooth flounder	<i>Atheresthes stomias</i>
Alaska plaice	<i>Pleuronectes quadrituberculatus</i>
Northern rock sole	<i>Lepidopsetta polyxystra</i>
Kamchatka flounder	<i>Atheresthes evermanni</i>
Alaska pollock	<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i> or <i>Gadus chalcogrammus</i>

#### Bering Sea Aleutian Islands Cod Client Companies Authorized to Sell MSC Certified Pacific Cod:

[http://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/pacific/bering-sea-and-aleutian-islands-pacific-cod/reassessment-downloads-folder/20140515\\_Client\\_List\\_COD14.pdf](http://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/pacific/bering-sea-and-aleutian-islands-pacific-cod/reassessment-downloads-folder/20140515_Client_List_COD14.pdf)

