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# Certificate of Conformity MSC Fisheries

## **MRAG** Americas certifies that

Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod Demersal Trawl Fishery
Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation
P.O. Box 2223
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Sustainable Fishing, and that the fishery is well managed and sustainable.

meets the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) Principles and Criteria for

**Unit of Certification:** 

Species: Gadus macrocephalus

Geographical area: Gulf of Alaska Area 67

Harvest method: Demersal Trawl

Stock: Pacific Cod - Gulf of Alaska

Certificate Issued by:

**MRAG Americas Certification Committee** 

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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: Most Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod are landed on shore unprocessed, with a portion being processed and frozen at-sea as headed and gutted, frozen fillet blocks, and individually frozen fillets. Chain of custody for unprocessed on-shore landings starts upon delivery to a processing facility. Chain of custody for at-sea processors starts on board at delivery to the factory.

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

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

# Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod Client Companies Authorized to Sell MSC Certified Pacific Cod:

http://www.msc.org/track-a-fishery/fisheries-in-the-program/certified/pacific/gulf-of-alaska-pacific-cod/reassessment-downloads-folder/20140515 Client List COD50.pdf

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