ELECTRONIC CATCH REPORTING SYSTEMS FOR RECREATIONAL FISHERIES



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CURRENT RECREATIONAL CATCH REPORTING SYSTEMS

- WDFW Catch Data Collection Methods
 - Port Sampling (Effort and Catch): Ocean Salmon, Bottomfish, and Halibut Fisheries
 - Creel Surveys at Access Points (Catch, Effort, Releases): Multiple Fisheries and Areas –
 Type of Data Collected Depends on Fishery and Area
 - Overflights (Boat Counts/Effort): Puget Sound Salmon, Shellfish, and Halibut, and Columbia River Salmon, Steelhead, and Sturgeon
 - Phone Surveys (Effort): Marine Fisheries, All Species Collected (Few Used)
 - Catch Record Cards (Catch Only): Salmon, Steelhead, Sturgeon, Halibut, and PS Crab
- Electronic Catch Self-Reporting Systems
 - Online Catch Record Cards for Puget Sound Dungeness Crab (Summer and Winter)

CURRENT FISHERY CATCH RECORD CARD SUMMARY

Species	Area	Fishery Catch Limit or Quota?	CRC Required?	CRC Used for Fishery Catch?	Other CRC Uses?	Online CRC?
Dungeness Crab	Puget Sound	Yes	Yes	Yes	Daily Limit	Yes
Salmon	Ocean	Yes	Yes	No	Daily Limit	Future
Salmon	Puget Sound and Other Areas	Yes for Some Areas	Yes	Yes	Daily Limit	Future
Steelhead	All Areas	No	Yes	Yes	Annual Limit	Future
Sturgeon	All Areas	Yes for Some Areas	Yes	Yes	Annual Limit	Future
Halibut	All Areas	Yes	Yes	No	Daily and Annual Limit	Future

FUTURE EXPANSION OF ONLINE CATCH RECORD CARD REPORTING SYSTEM

Rulemaking Process

- CR-101 Filed: May 2, 2018
 - Will also Include Implementation of SB 6127 (Halibut CRC fee and changes)
 and relatively minor "housekeeping" rule revisions
- Fish and Wildlife Commission Briefing: September 14-15, 2018
- Proposed Rule Adoption: Before October 31, 2018
- Target Effective Date: December 1, 2018 (for 2019 license year)

OTHER IDEAS FOR ELECTRONIC CATCH REPORTING (EXPLORATION PHASE)

- Expand online catch reporting for species not required to be reported on a CRC currently
- Develop a fishing license for access and display via a mobile phone
- Develop a mobile solution that meets agency needs for harvest reporting
- iSnapper app (used in Gulf of Mexico red snapper fishery):

http://sportfishcenter.org/participate/citizen-science/iSnapper

QUESTIONS?

COMMENTS?

IDEAS?