

Appendix A. Summary of California Management Measures

Year	Description	Effective Date
1953	Legislation prohibits trawling off coast of Santa Barbara County within 3-nautical-mile limit; entire California coast now closed to trawling within the 3-nautical-mile limit	1/1/1953
1970	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily bag limit of 15 rockfish, can be all one species, within the 20 fish aggregate bag limit 	1/1/1970
1994	Marine Resources Protection Act (Proposition 132) Gill nets prohibited within 3 miles of mainland coast, and waters less than 70 fathoms or within one nautical mile of the Channel Islands, whichever is less	1/1/1994
1999	Nearshore Fisheries Management Act gives Fish and Game Commission (FGC) additional authority to regulate fisheries (FG Code §8585.5), allows the FGC to make regulations to regulate nearshore fisheries ¹ ; establishes size limits for 9 nearshore species; exempted trawl-caught fish from size limits.	1/1/1999
2000	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No more than one line with three hooks allowed when rockfish are on board Daily bag limit for rockfish reduced to 10 fish, within the 20 fish aggregate bag limit 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. – open year round 40° 10' N lat. to 36° N lat. – Open January 1-February 28 and May 1- December 31 South of 36° N lat. – open March 1-December 31 	1/1/2000
2000	Commercial Regulations <i>Sebastes</i> complex split into minor nearshore ² , minor shelf and minor slope rockfishes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. – open year round 40°10' N lat to 36° N lat. – March-December open South of 36° N lat. – January-February and May-December open California asked the PFM to split the area south of 40 10 into two areas with a break at 34 27 in case fishery restrictions are necessary to protect overfished species. FGC to discuss in October. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40°10' N lat to 34° 27' N lat. – October-December open South of 34° 27' N lat. – October-December open 	1/1/2000 10/2/2000
2001	FGC established regulations to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand the list of nearshore fish stocks³ to include deeper nearshore rockfish⁴ and define shallow nearshore rockfish⁵ Define nearshore fisheries as the recreational or commercial take of nearshore fish stocks Define nearshore waters as 1 nm along the mainland coast and offshore islands Establish the Cowcod closure areas (known as Cowcod Conservation Areas in the federal arena) in line with federal rules Note: fishing for deeper nearshore rockfish does not require a permit	3/5/2001

¹ Cabezon, California scorpionfish, California sheephead, Greenlings of the genus *Hexagrammos*, and black-and-yellow, China, gopher, grass and kelp rockfishes.

² Minor nearshore rockfish includes black, black-and-yellow, blue, brown, calico, China, copper, gopher, grass, kelp, olive, quillback and treefish rockfishes. South of 34° 27' N lat. California scorpionfish is included.

³ Cabezon, California scorpionfish, California sheephead, Greenlings of the genus *Hexagrammos*, Monkeyface (eel) prickleback, and blue, black, black-and-yellow, brown, calico, China, copper, gopher, grass, kelp, olive, quillback and treefish rockfishes.

⁴ Black, blue, brown, calico, copper, olive, quillback and treefish rockfishes.

⁵ Cabezon, California scorpionfish, California sheephead, Greenlings of the genus *Hexagrammos*, and black-and-yellow, China, gopher, grass and kelp rockfishes.

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2001	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40° 10' N lat. – open year round • 40° 10' N lat. to 34° 27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February– open ○ May-June – open to 20 fathoms ○ July-October– open • South of 34° 27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February – open to 20 fathoms ○ March-October– open ○ Cowcod Conservation Area – open to 20 fathoms • South of 34° 27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ October 29-December – open to 20 fathoms 	1/11/2001
		10/29/2001
2001	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State limitation on the total number of hooks (150) and the number of hooks per line (15) used to take nearshore fish stocks within 1 nm of the mainland shore statewide • 42° N lat. to 40° 10' N lat. – open year round • 40° 10' N lat. to 34° 27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February – open ○ May-June – open to 20 fathoms ○ July-October – open • South of 34° 27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February – open to 20 fathoms ○ March-December – open ○ Cowcod Conservation Area – open to 20 fathoms 	3/5/2001
	Emergency Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastwide rockfish fishing, including nearshore species, is closed from November 1 to December 31, except that rockfish can be taken in waters 20 fathoms or less 	1/11/2001
		9/1/2001
2002	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40° 10' N lat. – open year round • 40° 10' N lat. to 34° 27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January 1-February 28– open ○ May 1-June 30– open to 20 fathoms • South of 34° 27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1-June 30– open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms • South of 40° 10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ July 1-October 30– open to 20 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	1/11/2002
		3/1/2002
2002	FGC adopted the Nearshore Fishery Management Plan	7/1/2002
2002		11/2002

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2004	Recreational Regulations	1/1/2004
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farallon Islands – 10 fathoms restriction year round • Cordell Bank – closed year round • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January 1–February 28– open • 40°10' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January 1–February 28– open to 30 fathoms • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–April 31– open • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–April 30– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	3/1/2004
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 36° N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ August 1–October 31– open to 20 fathoms • 36° N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–June 30– 20 fathom restriction ○ August 1–December 31– open to 20 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–August 31– open to 60 fathoms ○ September 1–October 31– 30 fathom restriction ○ November 1–December 31– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	5/1/2004
2004	Commercial Regulations	1/8/2004
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January–December – closed 30 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January–February – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ May–August – closed 20 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ September–December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March–December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	
2005	Recreational Regulations	1/1/2005
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1 –December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 36° N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ July 1 –December 31– open to 20 fathoms • 36° N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–September 30– open to 40 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March – open between 30 and 60 fathoms ○ April 1–August 30– open to 60 fathoms ○ September 1–October 30– open to 30 fathoms ○ November 1–December 31– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	5/1/2005

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2009/2010	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°-10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 15–September 15– open to 20 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 15–August 15– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ June 13–October 31– open to 30 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–November 15– open to 40 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–December 31– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	3/1/2009
2009	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February – closed 20 fathoms to 100 fathoms ○ March-December – closed 20 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2009 4/1/2009
2010	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 20 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2010
2011	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°-10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 14–October 31– open to 20 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 14–August 15– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ June 1–December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–December 31– open to 40 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–December 31– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	5/11/2011
2011	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 20 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2011

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2012	<p>Recreational Regulations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°-10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 14–October 31– open to 20 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 14–August 15– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ June 1–December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–December 31– open to 40 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–October 31– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ November 1–December 31– open to 50 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	<p>5/11/2011</p> <p>10/17/2012</p>
2012	<p>Commercial Regulations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 20 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2012
2013	<p>Recreational Regulations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°-10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 15–October 31– open to 20 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 15–September 2– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ June 1–December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–December 31– open to 40 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–December 31– open to 50 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	1/3/2013
2013	<p>Commercial Regulations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 20 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2013

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2014	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°-10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 15–October 31– open to 20 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 15–September 1– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ June 1–December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–December 31– open to 40 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–December 31– open to 50 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	1/3/2013
2014	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 20 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2014
2015/2016	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 15–October 31– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 15–December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 1–December 31– open to 40 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–December 31– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	3/10/2015
2015	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February – closed 20 fathoms to 100 fathoms ○ March-December – closed 30 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	3/10/2015
2016	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 30 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 30 fathoms to 150 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 60 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2016

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2017	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°-10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1– October 15– open to 30 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1– October 15– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 15–October 15– open to 40 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 1–October 15– open to 50 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1–December 31– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms 	3/1/2017
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ October 16– December 31– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ October 16– December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ October 16– December 31– open to 40 fathoms 	10/19/2017
2017	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 30 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May – closed 30 fathoms to 125 fathoms ○ June-December – closed 40 fathoms to 125 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 75 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/4/2017
		7/7/2017
2018	Recreational Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°-10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–August 24– open to 30 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1–August 24– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 15–August 24– open to 40 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 1–August 24– open to 50 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1- December 31– open to 60 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Areas– open to 20 fathoms • 42° N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ August 25- December 31– open to 20 fathoms • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ August 25 – December 31– open to 30 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ August 25- December 31– open to 40 fathoms 	3/1/2017
		9/27/2018 ¹⁰

¹⁰ California enacted this inseason change through their state process, effective August 25, with the Council taking conforming action subsequently.

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2018	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 30 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 40 fathoms to 125 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 75 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2018
2019/2020	Recreational regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°-10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1 –October 31– open to 30 fathoms • 40°10' N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 1 –October 31– open to 20 fathoms • 42° N lat. to 38°57.5' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ November 1 –December 31– open • 38°57.5' N lat. to 37°11' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 1 –December 31– open to 40 fathoms • 37°11' N lat. to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 1 –December 31– open to 50 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 1 –December 31– open to 75 fathoms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cowcod Conservation Area– open to 40 fathoms 	1/1/2019
2019/2020	Commercial Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 42° N lat. to 40°10' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-December – closed 30 fathoms to 100 fathoms • 40°10' N lat to 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 40 fathoms to 125 fathoms • South of 34°27' N lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January-February and May-December – closed 75 fathoms to 150 fathoms ○ Cowcod Conservation Areas – open to 20 fathoms 	1/1/2019