The final rule implementing the 2021 Pacific whiting harvest specifications and the 2021 tribal allocation for Pacific whiting published on June 23, 2021 and became effective on the same date.

This final rule announces the Pacific whiting coastwide TAC of 500,000 mt and establishes the Pacific whiting U.S. TAC of 369,400 mt. The rule also establishes the tribal and non-tribal allocation and a set-aside for research and incidental mortality in other fisheries, as shown below.

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The final rule, proposed rule, and supporting documents can be found at: [https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/action/2021-harvestspecifications-pacific-whiting-and-2021-pacific-whitingtribal-allocation](https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/action/2021-harvestspecifications-pacific-whiting-and-2021-pacific-whitingtribal-allocation)

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