

# **Amendment Text for BSAI Crab FMP**

## **Proposed Amendment 46 to the Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Bering Sea/ Aleutian Islands (BSAI) King and Tanner Crabs**

**Deletions are stricken and additions are in bold.**

1. Update Table of Contents as needed.
2. In Section 8.1.4.2 titled “Vessel License Limitation,” the introductory paragraph is revised to read as follows:

A vessel license limitation program (LLP) was approved as Amendment 5 on September 12, 1997 and requires a Federal Crab License on harvesting vessels (including harvester/processors) participating in the BSAI King and Tanner Crab fisheries. Vessels fishing in State waters will be exempt, as will vessels **< less than or equal to 32'**. The LLP will replace the vessel moratorium and will last until the Council replaces or rescinds the action. The crab CDQ portion of Amendment 5 became effective March 23, 1998. The crab CDQ program establishes the crab CDQ reserve and authorizes the State of Alaska to allocate the crab CDQ reserve among CDQ groups and to manage crab harvesting activity of the BS/AI CDQ groups.