

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Natural Resources Board Order FH-13-16, Clearinghouse Rule 16-061

The people affected by these rules are state-licensed commercial fishers.

The rule's harvest limits are expected to allow fishers to harvest at or near the current average annual catch amount. Therefore, the rule may have little to no economic impact on commercial fishing businesses. However, this rule is important to have in place because it will allow the department to reduce or increase the harvest limit based in response to biological assessment data and recommended harvest parameters.

Additional reporting will be required of state-licensed commercial fishers from October to December, but no expenditures are expected as a result of these phone-in reports.

It is not expected that the rule will result in expenditures for state fishers.