

2009/10 Red Sea Urchin Fishing Protocol

DFO has agreed with PUHA to help reduce the financial responsibilities of industry by suspending the On-grounds Monitoring (OGM) requirement in efforts to make the fishery viable during the hard economic times. As a result, there are changes to the program and industry will have to be more involved, constructive, and responsible for fishing co-ordination. DFO will be evaluating protocol compliance through-out the season to ensure that all licence conditions and management requirements are being met.

If enforcement or management issues arise DFO will close the fishery until protocol requirements are being met.

FISHING PROTOCOL

- ❑ PUHA has designated, but is not limited to, members as "On-Ground Co-ordinators" (OGC's). The OGC's will communicate with D&D at the beginning and end of each fishing day. This will provide the daily updates between the fleet, D&D and DFO and will ensure communication for proper management of area quotas, and fleet movement. The OGC requirement is essential at all times no matter how small the fleet. In the event there is not a designated OGC on the grounds and there is no communication with D&D, fishing will be suspended by closing the area.
- ❑ OGC "Checklist" that details when & what information is required to be relayed on a daily basis:

Morning Report (prior to fishing activity)		
1	Confirm Fishing & Vessels	Confirm if it is a fishing day or not, if so provide a vessel count with names for the quota area open, and any issues to be addressed.
2	Area Remaining Quotas	D&D will provide the OGC with the actual or estimated remaining quotas by area and go over possible fishing plans or vessel limits.
3	Vessel Harvest Limit	In the event that the remaining quota in an area to be fished is insufficient for a full day's production, the remaining pounds will be divided equally amongst the fleet. The OGC will convey the vessel limit to the fleet. <u>No same day area changes or new hauls</u> will be permitted during a harvest limit or clean-up - NO EXCEPTIONS
Evening Report (after fishing activity)		
1	Catch Info by Area	Provide the total packer weight by quota area. <u>It is the responsibility of the OGC to ensure the packer weights are provided to D&D in a timely manner.</u> It is the packer's responsibility to relay load information to the offloaders & Port Observer.
2	Game Plan	Keep D&D up to date with the talk on the grounds with respect to roe quality, weather outlook and general discussions on moving to a new area. Keep in mind <u>same day decisions to move to a new area will NOT BE PERMITTED- NO EXCEPTIONS</u>
3	Area Remaining Quotas	D&D will provide the OGC with the estimated remaining quota by area, and go over possible fishing plans or vessel limits for the next day.
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- ❑ There will be a limit of two separate fleets allowed to operate within the north coast region at any time, this includes the central coast.
- ❑ A maximum of four quota areas can be opened and available for fishing by each fleet. However, the fleet is limited to fishing one area at a time unless approved by DFO.
- ❑ If an area is selected outside of the four previously opened areas this requires advance planning and a minimum of 48 hours notice (not including weekends and holidays) to open prior to fishing.
- ❑ Attempts will be made to complete each quota area before moving to a new area. If weather or roe quality prevents further fishing effort in a quota area the fleet will be permitted to move to another area, as a group, but will not be permitted to switch within the same day.
- ❑ Clean-up protocol involves the estimated or actual remaining quota for an area to be divided equally between all vessels hailed prior to the day of the clean-up. Each vessel will have a harvest limit imposed, any overages of this limit will be tracked and reported to DFO.

RSU North Coast 2009/10

Opening Sequence	Quota Area	Area Description	Quota Allowed	
1	RU32	Calamity Bay	Ptn 6-9	200,000
2	RU30	Lower Banks Island	5-22 & ptn subareas 106-1,105-2	400,000
3	RU27b	Mid Banks Island	Ptn 5-20	75,000
3	RU29	Kingkown Inlet	5-21 & Ptn 5-20	60,000
4	RU27a	Upper Banks Island	Ptn 5-20	130,000
5	RU26	Larsen Harbour	Ptn subareas 5-11, 5-20	123,000
3 to 5	RU28	Bonilla Island	105-1 & ptn subareas 5-20, 105-2	187,000
6	RU20b	Freeman Pass.	Ptn subareas 5-11, 5-12	72,000
7	RU21	Willis Bay	Ptn subareas 5-10, 5-11	90,000
8	RU22a	Hankin Rock	Ptn 5-10	60,000
8	RU22b	Beaver Pass.	Ptn 5-10	40,000
9	RU15	Outside Stephens Island	Ptn 4-2	82,000
10	RU14	Tree Nob	Ptn subareas 4-1, 4-2, 4-13	276,000
11	RU13a	Dundas Island North	3-1 to 3-3, 3-7, 3-11	264,000
12	RU13b	Dundas Island South	Ptn subareas 4-1 and 4-5	130,000
12	RU13d	Nares Islets	Ptn 4-1	60,000
13	RU13c	Melville Island	Ptn subareas 4-1 and 4-5	35,000
14	RU16	Inside Stephens Island	Ptn subareas 4-9, 4-13	65,000
14	RU17	Kelp Pass	4-12	47,000
15	RU18	Oval Bay	Ptn Subareas 4-2, 4-3	170,000
16	RU19	Porcher Inlet	5-9	25,000
16	RU20a	Cape George	Ptn 4-3	50,000
7-Dec / 17	RU23	Upper Principe Channel	5-13	174,000
18	RU24a	Mid Principe Ch.	5-18 & Ptn 5-17	85,000
18	RU25	Petrel Channel	5-14, 5-15, 5-16	quota combined with RU24a
19	RU24b	Lower Principe Ch.	5-19 & Ptn 5-17	70,000
20	RU33	Otter Pass	Ptn 6-9	300,000
21	RU34a	Langley Pass	Ptn 6-9	25,000
21	RU34b	Develin Bay	Ptn 6-9	40,000
21	RU35	Oswald Bay	Ptn subareas 6-9, 106-1	100,000
22	RU36a	Estevan Group East	Ptn subareas 6-9, 6-10	200,000
23	RU36b	Estevan Group South	Ptn 6-9	75,000
24	RU38a	West Campania Island	Ptn subareas 6-5, 6-10	200,000
25	RU38b	East Campania Island	6-6 to 6-8, 6-26 to 6-28, ptn 6-5	70,000
25	RU38c	Surf Inlet	6-6 to 6-8, 6-26 to 6-28, ptn 6-5	quota combined with RU38b
26	RU37	Rennison Island	Ptn subareas 6-9, 6-10, 6-11, 6-13	36,000
27	RU39	Upper West Aristazabal	Ptn subareas 6-13, 106-2	250,000
26/27/28	RU31a	Moore Islands	Ptn 106-2	270,000
28	RU40	Woodcock Islands	Ptn subareas 6-13, 106-2	40,000
29	RU41	Normansell Islands	Ptn subareas 6-13, 106-2	110,000
30	RU42	Lower West Aristazabal	Ptn subareas 6-13, 106-2	74,000
30	RU46b	Prior Pass.	Ptn subareas 6-13, 6-17	100,000
28/29/30	RU31b	Harvey Island	Ptn 106-2	250,000
31	RU43	Upper Laredo Channel	6-14	30,000
32	RU44	Lower Laredo	6-15, ptn subarea 6-16	50,000
33	RU45	Laredo Inlet	6-19, ptn subarea 6-16	40,000
34	RU46a	Laredo Sound	Ptn subareas 6-17, 6-16	109,000
35	RU48	Milbanke Sound	7-3	110,000
36	RU49	Finlayson Channel	7-4, 7-5, 7-6, ptn subarea 7-9	100,000
36	RU50	Mathieson Channel	Ptn subarea 7-9	110,000
37	RU47a	Thompson Bay	7-19, 7-20, 7-32, ptn subareas 7-1, 7-2, 7-21	quota combined with RU51
37	RU51	Seaforth Channel	7-8, 7-12, 7-15, ptn subareas 7-9, 7-21	44,000
38	RU47b	Day Point	Ptn subareas 7-1, 7-2 & 7-31	90,000
39	RU52	Tribal Group	Ptn subareas 7-18, 7-23, 7-24	quota combined with RU54
39	RU54	McNaughton Group	7-25, ptn subarea 7-17	69,000
40	RU53	Spider/Kildidit	7-26, 7-27, 7-28	80,000
41	RU55	Hakai Pass	8-1, 8-2	55,000
42	RU56a	Nalau Pass.	Ptn subarea 8-4	40,000
43	RU56b	Fitz Hugh Sound	8-3, 8-16, ptn subarea 8-4	72,000
44	RU57a	Rivers Inlet	9-1 to 9-4, 9-10 to 9-12 & ptn subareas 10-1, 10-2	100,000
45	RU57b	West Calvert Island	Area 109 & ptn 10-1	12,000
46	RU57c	Grief Bay	stat. area 109 & ptn 10-1	30,000
47	RU58	Smiths Inlet	10-3, 10-4, 10-5, 10-7, 10-8, 10-12, & ptn 10-2	200,000
Mainland North Coast			6,451,000	
	RU01a	Lepas Bay	Ptn 1-1, north of White Pt.	quota combined with RU02a
	RU01b	Fredrick Is.	Ptn 1-1, south of White Pt.	quota combined with RU12
	RU02a	Langara Is.	Ptn subareas 1-2, 101-2, 101-3, 101-6, 101-7	305,000
	RU02b	Virago Sound	1-3, 1-7 & ptn subareas 1-2, 101-6, 101-7	105,000
	RU03b	Kunga Is.	2-8 & 2-10	120,000
	RU04b	Section Cove	2-12, 2-13	75,000
	RU05a	Skincuttle Inlet	2-14 & 2-15	200,000
	RU05b	Carpenter Bay	2-17	120,000
	RU06	Lower 2E	2-18, 2-19	200,000
	RU07	Lower 2W	2-31, 2-32, 2-33, 2-34, & ptn 142-1	220,000
	RU08	Flamingo/Englefield	2-35 to 2-62, 142-2 & ptn 142-1	190,000
	RU09	van Inlet	2-68	100,000
	RU10	Rennel Sound	2-69 to 2-84	200,000
	RU11	Hippa Is.	2-85 to 2-87, ptn 2-88	110,000
	RU12	Port Louis	2-89 to 2-100, ptn 2-88	125,000
QCI Total			2,070,000	
North Coast Total			8,521,000	