STAFF SUMMARY FOR AUGUST 16, 2017

4. HALIBUT TRAWL PERMIT, CARDINALE (CONSENT)

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Approve request to transfer California Robert T. Burchell.	Halibut Bottom Tra	wl Vessel Permit No	o. BT0043 to

Summary of Previous/Future Actions (N/A)

Background

Since Apr 2006, any vessel using bottom trawl gear in the state-managed halibut fishery must possess a valid California halibut bottom trawl vessel permit (CHBTVP) issued pursuant to Fish and Game Code Section 8494. A CHBTVP may only be transferred under specific conditions.

Frank Cardinale held a CHBTVP for use on *F/V Cardinale I*, which he sold with his vessel and other permits to Robert T. Burchell in Sep 2016 and filled out a CHBTVP transfer application form. In Feb 2017, Mr. Cardinale unexpectedly passed away before the CHBTVP transfer application was submitted to DFW. On Apr 4, 2017, DFW received from Mr. Burchell the CHBTVP transfer application on behalf of Frank Cardinale's estate (Exhibit 1), and in Jun 2017 the estate's representative, Mrs. Mary Jo Cardinale, submitted documentation on the sale of the boat and permit to Mr. Burchell (Exhibit 2).

Pursuant to Fish and Game Code Section 8594(d)(3), a CHBTVP permitholder, or his/her conservator or estate representative, may request to transfer the permit with the vessel to a new permitholder if, prior to the implementation of a halibut trawl restricted access program, specific conditions are met. Since there is not a formal restricted access program for the California halibut fishery, FGC must determine if Mr. Cardinale was eligible to transfer the permit to another owner.

Two conditions must be met for FGC to approve a CHBTVP transfer: (1) The permitholder has died, is permanently disabled, or is at least 65 years of age and is retiring from commercial fishing; and (2) California halibut landings contributed significantly to the record and economic income derived from the vessel, as determined by regulations adopted by FGC.

DFW reviewed landings data and the documentation submitted by Robert T. Burchell and the estate of Mr. Cardinale, to support FGC consideration. The application indicates that Mr. Cardinale is 65 years of age or older, and agrees to permanently retire from commercial fishing; however, Mr. Cardinale is now deceased. The first required condition is met.

Regarding the second condition, FGC has not yet adopted regulations for deteriming whether landings have contributed significantly to the record and economic income derived from the vessel. In the absence of regulations, DFW limited its review to landings data and to license and permit information, to verify that *F/V Cardinale-1* held a valid CHBTVP, Mr. Cardinale held a valid commercial fishing licence, and Mr. Cardinale landed California halibut from the vessel prior to sale.

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DFW confirmed that *F/V Cardinale-1* held a valid CHBTVP from the 2006-07 permit year to the 2016-17 permit year, that Mr. Cardinale possessed a 2016-2017 commercial fishing license and commercial boat registration for *F/V Cardinale-1*, and that Mr. Cardinale participated in the Califorina halibut fishery from 2006 through 2007 and contributed to the record of California halibut landings (Exhibit 3).

Significant Public Comments (N/A)

Recommendation

FGC staff: Approve the application to transfer California Halibut Trawl Vessel Permit No. BT0043 from Frank Cardinale to Robert T Burchell with the stipulation in DFW's recommendation.

DFW: Consider the application to transfer California Halibut Trawl Vessel Permit No. BT0043 and, if approved, require that as a necessary condition to transfer the CHBTVP, Mr. Burchell must renew the CHBTVP for the 2017-18 permit year withint 60 days of FGC approval.

Exhibits

- 1. <u>Transfer application and non-confidential documentation submitted by Robert T.</u> Burchell, received by DFW on Apr 4, 2017
- 2. <u>Bill of sale for *F/V Cardinale I* and halibut, salmon and crab permits, submitted by Mrs.</u> Mary Jo Cardinale on Jun 15, 2017
- 3. DFW Memo, received Aug 9, 2017

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Author. Melissa Miller-Henson



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CALIFORNIA HALIBUT BOTTOM TRAWL VESSEL PERMIT TRANSFER APPLICATION

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Pursuant to Fish and Game Code (FGC), Section 8494(d)(3), the permit holder of a California Halibut Bottom Trawl Vessel Permit (CHBTVP), or his or her conservator or estate representative, may transfer the permit simultaneously with the vessel to a new permit holder if the following conditions are met to the satisfaction of the Fish and Game Commission (Commission):

- (A) The permitholder has died, is permanently disabled, or the permitholder is at least 65 years of age and has decided to permanently retire from commercial fishing of all types; and
- (B) California halibut landings contributed significantly to the record and economic income derived from the vessel, to which the CHBTVP is attached, as determined by regulations adopted by the Commission. The Commission may request information that it determines is reasonably necessary from the permitholder or his heirs or estate prior to and for the purposes of authorizing the transfer of the permit.

Permit holder must complete the application and submit the required documentation. Section 8494(d)(3) FGC. See reverse for instructions and documents required for transfer.

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Memorandum

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CALIFORMIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

Date:

August 9, 2017

To:

Valerie Termini **Executive Director**

Fish and Game Commission

From:

Charlton H. Bonham

Director

Subject: Agenda Item for August 16, 2017, Fish and Game Commission Meeting: Consideration of a California Halibut Bottom Trawl Vessel Permit Transfer Application from Mr. Frank Cardinale to Transfer the California Halibut Bottom Trawl Vessel Permit (CHBTVP), Permit Number BT0043, to Mr. Robert T. Burchell, Upon the Sale of the F/V Cardinale-1 (FG37902)

The Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) requests that the Fish and Game Commission consider Mr. Frank Cardinale's application to transfer his CHBTVP to Mr. Robert T. Burchell for use on the F/V Cardinale-1 (FG37902). The Department has received the application and supporting documents for the Commission to consider.

Pursuant to Fish and Game Code Section 8494(d)(3), CHBTVPs may be transferred if, prior to the implementation of a halibut trawl restricted access program, specific conditions are met. Currently, there is not a formal restricted access program for the California halibut fishery; therefore, the Department is requesting the Commission determine if Mr. Frank Cardinale's estate is eligible to transfer the CHBTVP to another owner, Mr. Robert T. Burchell, for use on the F/V Cardinale-1.

Authority

Pursuant to FGC Section 8494(a), beginning April 1, 2006, the owner of a registered commercial fishing vessel using trawl gear to take, possess aboard a vessel, or land California halibut for commercial purposes must have a valid CHBTVP that has not been suspended or revoked. A CHBTVP shall be issued annually, beginning with the 2006 permit year. Beginning with the 2007-2008 permit year, in order to be eligible for a CHBTVP, an applicant shall have been issued a CHBTVP in the immediately preceding permit year.

Further, FGC Section 8494(d) specifies that CHBTVPs issued pursuant to this section may be transferred only if at least one of the following occur:

(1) The commission adopts a restricted access program for the fishery that is consistent with the commission's policies regarding restricted access to commercial fisheries.

Valerie Termini, Executive Director Fish and Game Commission August 9, 2017 Page 2

- (2) Prior to the implementation of a restricted access program, the permit is transferred to another vessel owned by the same permitholder of equal or less capacity, as determined by the department, and if the originally permitted vessel was lost, stolen, destroyed, or suffered a major irreparable mechanical breakdown. The department may not issue a permit for a replacement vessel if the department determines that the originally permitted vessel was fraudulently reported as lost, stolen, destroyed, or damaged. Only the permitholder at the time of the loss, theft, destruction, or irreparable mechanical breakdown of a vessel may apply to transfer the vessel permit. Evidence that a vessel is lost, stolen, or destroyed shall be in the form of a copy of the report filed with the United States Coast Guard, or any other law enforcement agency or fire department that conducted an investigation of the loss.
- (3) Prior to the implementation of a halibut trawl restricted access program, the commission may consider requests from a vessel permitholder or his or her conservator or estate representative to transfer a permit with the vessel if both of the following conditions are met:
- (A) The permitholder has died, is permanently disabled, or the permitholder is at least 65 years of age and has decided to retire from commercial fishing; and (B) California halibut landings contributed significantly to the record and economic income derived from the vessel, as determined by regulations adopted by the Commission. The Commission may request information that it determines is reasonably necessary from the permitholder or his or her heirs or estate for the purpose of verifying statements in the request prior to authorizing the transfer of the permit.

Documentation Submitted

Mr. Frank Cardinale indicated that he is 65 years of age or older, and agreed to permanently retire from commercial fishing, consistent with Section 8494(d)(3)(A and B). Mr. Cardinale died before his application was received by the Department. His estate and Mr. Burchell have submitted the following documentation to the Department:

- A California Halibut Bottom Trawl Vessel Permit Transfer Application dated September 13, 2016, received on April 4, 2017, requesting to transfer the CHBTVP from Mr. Frank Cardinale to Mr. Robert T. Burchell for use on the F/V Cardinale-1.
- Copy of the 2016-2017 CHBTVP for the F/V Cardinale-1.
- Copy of the 2016-2017 Resident Commercial Boat Registration for the F/V *Cardinale-1*.
- Copy of the United States Coast Guard Certificate of Documentation (USCG) for the F/V Cardinale-1, dated November 6, 2015, that shows Mr. Frank Cardinale is the owner.
- Copy of the USCG Certificate of Documentation for the F/V Cardinale-1, dated October 5, 2016, that shows Mr. Robert Burchell is the owner.

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- Copy of State of California, County of Santa Cruz Certificate of Death for Mr. Frank Cardinale, that shows the date of death as February 17, 2017.
- Copy of Mr. Frank Cardinale's 2016-2017 Commercial Fishing License.
- Copy of Mr. Robert T. Burchell's 2017-2018 Commercial Fishing License.
- Copy of the Boat Bill of Sale dated September 13, 2016, which list the seller as Mr.
 Frank Cardinale and the buyer as Mr. Robert T. Burchell.

Department Findings

Department license records show that the F/V *Cardinale-1* has held a valid CHBTVP from the 2006-2007 permit year to the 2016-2017 permit year. In addition, Mr. Frank Cardinale possessed a 2016-2017 Resident Commercial Fishing License and Resident Commercial Boat Registration for the F/V *Cardinale-1*.

Summary of Landing Information

Based on fish landing records on file with the Department for the F/V Cardinale-1, Mr. Frank Cardinale participated in the California halibut fishery from 2006 through 2007. Mr. Frank Cardinale is a CHBTVP holder that contributed to the record of California halibut landings.

The Department recommends that if the Commission approves Mr. Frank Cardinale's application, that it stipulate that, as a necessary condition to transfer the CHBTVP, Mr. Burchell agrees to renew the CHBTVP for the 2017-18 permit year, within 60 days of the Commission's approval.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Stafford Lehr, Deputy Director, Wildlife and Fisheries Division at (916) 653-4673.

Attachments (Confidential)

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