

Crab Disaster Relief Update



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Disaster Fund – Status Updates

- Department is providing estimated disbursement amounts in anticipation of Disaster Relief funds being made available to Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission (PSMFC) in June 2019.
- Eligibility and weighted distributions are outlined in the [Department's spending plan](#) proposal submitted to PSMFC in September 2018. ***These numbers may be subject to change based on the availability of funds, which could affect final payment.***
- Estimated disbursement is based on the latest total fund awarded for the California Crab Disaster of 2015 and 2016 as provided by NOAA in October 2018 - **\$25,642,484**
- **Please notify PSMFC and CDFW immediately if you have reason to disagree with the estimated disbursement amount. Once all the direct payment money is disbursed from the fund, PSMFC and CDFW will not have the ability to adjust payment amounts.**

Dungeness Crab Fishermen

(estimated disbursement)

Direct Payment Total		\$14,167,780
Dungeness Crab Vessel Permit Tier	Number of Qualifying Permits (n=524)	Estimated Reimbursement Per Permit
1	59	\$42,680
2	54	\$38,412
3	53	\$34,144
4	53	\$29,876
5	54	\$25,608
6	164	\$21,340
7	87	\$14,938

Dungeness Crab Processors/Buyers/Receivers

- We are unable to provide estimated disbursements due to confidentiality
- Please Contact CrabDisaster@wildlife.ca.gov to receive information on eligibility and estimated direct disbursement amounts

Dungeness Crab CPFVs

(estimated disbursement)

Direct Payment Total			\$664,115
Weighted Tier Groups	Cumulative Total Trips	Number of Qualifying CPFVs (n=46)	Estimated Reimbursement Per CPFV
1	≥100	11	\$34,708
2	50-99	11	\$14,295
3	10-49	24	\$5,212

Rock Crab Permittees

(estimated disbursement)

Direct Payment Total			\$458,718
Weighted Tier Groups	Cumulative Total Landed (lbs)*	Number of Qualifying Permits (n=64)	Estimated Reimbursement Per Permit
1	≥500,000	2	\$51,945
2	400,000 - 499,999	2	\$40,239
3	300,000 - 399,999	3	\$31,225
4	100,000 - 299,999	5	\$14,544
5	30,000 - 99,999	12	\$5,752
6	1,000 – 29,999	40	\$973

*Landings from the following fishing blocks were used to calculate eligibility: 102-568, 601-663, 665-677, 683-691, 697, 706-714, 1035-1042

Rock Crab Processors/Buyers/Receivers

(estimated disbursement)

Direct Payment Total			\$225,936
Weighted Tier Groups	Cumulative Total Landed (lbs)*	Number of Qualifying Permits (n=61)	Estimated Reimbursement Per Permit
1	≥350,000	2	\$52,847
2	200,000 - 349,999	3	\$14,026
3	150,000 - 199,999	0	\$0
4	100,000 - 149,999	5	\$6,363
5	50,000 - 99,999	5	\$4,565
6	1,000 – 49,999	46	\$511

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Next Steps - Payment

- Funding is expected to be made available to PSMFC as early as June
- CDFW will provide a list of disbursements for individual/businesses to PSMFC based on the spending plan
- PSMFC will be in contact via mail:
 - ❖ Initially, they will ask eligible individuals/businesses to certify information
 - ❖ Following certification, PSMFC will distribute payments

Next Steps – Mitigation

- \$2.6 million is available for mitigation through competitive research grants and directed grants to improve resiliency of the fleet to future Domoic acid events
- Industry representatives will be invited to participate in the development of research goals and grant review process
- Once goals and review process has been established, CDFW will announce a request for proposals (RFP)
- If you are interested in participating in this process please contact CDFW at CrabDisaster@wildlife.ca.gov

Questions?

For more information on crab disaster or questions regarding individual payout amounts please contact

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