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Dear Chief McNamee,

We'd like to put forward proposals to be considered for the upcoming 2020 fishing year.

Summer Flounder

Jan 1st- April 30th (Winter): For this sub-period we are suggesting a 1,500 lbs weekly limit. This year, with the 1,500 lbs/bi-weekly limit there was a large increase in the trip limit towards the end of this fishing period which caused instability in the market. We believe that changing the limit to a weekly limit would prevent such increases, allowing for a more stable market.

May 1st-Sept 15th (Summer): For this sub-period, we suggest starting at a daily limit of 100 lbs. If it looks like the quota might be reached a reduction in the daily limit can be implemented.

Black Sea Bass

Jan 1st-April 30th: We are suggesting an increase of the weekly limit to 750 lbs.

We support status quo for the summer and fall sub-periods.

The goal of all these suggestions is to keep the fisheries open all year without disrupting the markets too much.

Thank you for considering our suggestions.

Sincerely,

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