Controversy over Alaskan pollock chinook bycatch limit

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In mid-May the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council approved a conditional peak bycatch cap of 60,000 chinook salmon for the Bering Sea Aleutian Islands pollock industry. The bycatch limit on chinook, a prohibited catch species, which takes effect in 2011, has generated controversy in Alaska. The North Pacific council is caught between the interests of the pollock industry and Yukon subsistence fishing communities. The council's decision was protested by Western Alaska villages and fishermen. They have been devastated by the collapse of the chinook runs in the Yukon fishery, where the subsistence quota was lowered to an unprecedented 45,312 in 2008, less than the new pollock bycatch cap.

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