

PROPOSAL 160 – 5 AAC 09.369. Northern District Salmon Fisheries Management Plan.

Close waters of the Bear River and Nelson Lagoon sections of the Northern District between zero to one and one-half miles offshore to commercial salmon fishing with drift gillnet gear until escapement objectives have been met, as follows:

From June 1 to August 15 sockeye season, drift gear will be restricted to no less than 1.5 to 3 miles away from shore until Bear River and Nelson River have achieved their adequate escapement.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The *sustainability* of the Bear River and Nelson River Fishery due to the mismanagement of the North Peninsula Fishery between June 1 to August 15 sockeye salmon season.

Under the current management, the Bear River and Nelson River escapement will be depleted and will no longer have a fishery.

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