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**REVIEWER LETTER
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

Dear Reviewer:

August 2015

The Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) will consider this book of regulatory proposals at its October 2015 through March 2016 meetings. The proposals concern changes to the state's fishing regulations submitted timely by members of the public, organizations, advisory committees, and ADF&G staff. With the exception of minor edits, Internet links, and graphics, the proposals are published essentially as received. If you submitted a proposal and find the published version does not reflect your intent, please contact Boards Support as soon as possible. Boards Support will notify the Board and public of concerns through on-time public comment or record copies.

Proposal Information. Proposals are often presented as brief statements summarizing intended regulatory changes. In cases where confusion might arise or where the regulation is complex, proposed changes are also written in legal format. Legal format shows bolded and underlined words are **additions** to the regulation text, and bracketed capitalized words are [DELETIONS] from the regulation text.

Reading all proposals in this book is encouraged. Proposals may have statewide application, affect one region or fishery of the state, or recommend change to multiple fisheries within an area or region. The proposals are grouped by relevant meeting as seen in the following Proposal Index. Within each meeting the proposals are organized by region, fishery, or species. Prior to each meeting, the board will create a "roadmap" which will set the tentative order proposals are reviewed and deliberated on at a meeting. With a roadmap in hand, the board will develop an agenda for each meeting to coordinate with the roadmap. The proposal book will note when a proposal will be heard at more than one meeting.

Public Comment Requested. The board relies heavily on written comments and oral testimony on the effect of proposed changes. Public comments, in combination with advisory committee comments and ADF&G staff presentations, provide the board with useful biological and socioeconomic information. Written comments become public documents.

On-time public comment. The board accepts on-time public comment which must be received no later than the listed deadline (typically two weeks prior to a meeting - see the Tentative Meeting Schedule in this book). On-time comments are added to board member workbooks prior to the meeting, included in the each meeting's Index of Comments, and posted on the Boards Support website in advance of the meeting. Requirements of on-time public comments include -

- Limited to the equivalent of 100 single-sided pages from any one individual or group per proposal.
- Must be received by mail, email, fax, in office, or through the Boards Support website. Submission information is at the top of this letter.
- Must be submitted to fit on 8½” x 11” paper with adequate margins for three-hole punching.
- If submitted through the email address, the proposal must be in Adobe PDF. Web links to YouTube or other video formats, spreadsheets, and PowerPoint presentations are not accepted.

Record copies. After the on-time public comment period closes, the board continues to welcome written comments as “record copies”. Record copies are accepted prior to and during the board meetings. Requirements include –

- Limited to an equivalent of 10 single-sided pages in length from any one individual or group per proposal until the board begins deliberations on the proposal. Once deliberations start record copies are limited to an equivalent of five single-sided pages in length.
- Prior to the start of a meeting, comments must be submitted by mail, fax, or hand delivered in office. After the start of a meeting comments must be submitted by fax or hand delivered at the meeting. Submission information is at the top of this letter.
- If submitted at a meeting, the submitter must provide the required amount of copies which may exceed 25 copies. The number of required copies may vary and will be posted at a meeting.
- Must be on 8½” x 11” paper with adequate margins for three-hole punching.

Public testimony. The board welcomes public testimony at each regularly scheduled regulatory meetings. Public testimony generally begins the first day of the meeting, extending as long as necessary to accommodate those in attendance. There is a sign-up cut-off time set for each meeting as stated on the meeting agenda. The public is generally allotted 3 minutes for testimony. Advisory committee and federal regional advisory council representatives are allotted 10 minutes.

Tips for Providing Comments. Please consider the following advice when providing input to the board.

1. Clearly state proposal number(s) and your position(s). Written comments should indicate the proposal number(s) to which the comments apply and should clearly indicate “support for” or “opposition to” the proposal. If the comments support a modification in the proposal, indicate “support as amended” with the preferred amendment in writing.
2. Explain why. Help the board understand the rationale for your recommendation by identifying factors to take into account when acting on a proposal. A brief description consisting of a couple of sentences on why you support or oppose the proposal is sufficient.
3. Keep comments brief. Board members are extremely busy. Clearly stating proposals and one’s position with supporting rationale will assist the board members.
4. Follow the requirements. Pages in excess of the page limit and comments not in the proper format will be discarded. Testimony greater than the allotted time will be cut short.
5. The sooner the better. As a practical matter comments submitted after the board begins deliberations are likely to receive less consideration than comments submitted earlier.
6. Write clearly. Whether typed or handwritten, use dark ink and write legibly. If making comments on more than one proposal please do not use separate pages for each proposal - simply begin the next set of written comments by listing the next proposal number.
7. Use the committee process. The board utilizes “committees” throughout its meetings as a way to receive much greater detail from the participating public. If you are able to participate throughout the meeting, public testimony should be tailored to encompass major items of importance. Fine details may be reserved for committee work.

**ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
2015/2016 PROPOSAL BOOK**

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**ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
2015/2016 Cycle
Tentative Meeting Schedule**

Bristol Bay Finfish; Arctic, Yukon, and Kuskokwim Finfish; Alaska Peninsula / Chignik / Bering Sea – Aleutian Islands Pacific Cod; Statewide Finfish and Supplemental Issues

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 10, 2015

Meeting Dates	Topics	Location	Comment Deadline
October 21-22, 2015 [2 days]	Work Session ACRs, cycle organization, Stocks of Concern	Anchorage Egan Convention Center	Oct. 1, 2015
Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2015 [2 days]	Alaska Peninsula / Chignik / Aleutian Islands- Bering Sea Pacific Cod	Anchorage Egan Convention Center	Nov. 19, 2015
Nov. 30-Dec. 8, 2015 [7 days]	Bristol Bay Finfish	Anchorage Egan Convention Center	Nov. 19, 2015
January 12-16, 2016 [5 days]	Arctic / Yukon / Kuskokwim Finfish	Fairbanks Alpine Lodge	Dec. 28, 2015
Feb. 23-Mar. 1, 2016 [8 days]	Alaska Peninsula / Aleutian Island / Chignik Finfish	Anchorage Sheraton Hotel	Feb. 8, 2016
March 8-11, 2016 [4 days]	Statewide Finfish and Supplemental Issues	Anchorage Hilton Hotel	February 18, 2016

Total Meeting Days: 28

Agenda Change Request Deadline: August 21 , 2015 [60 days prior to fall worksession]

Amended October 27, 2015

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
LONG-TERM MEETING CYCLE
 (Three-year cycle)

The board meeting cycle generally occurs from October through March. The board considers changes to regulations on a region-based schedule. The fisheries include subsistence, sport, guided sport, personal use, and commercial. Special petition and agenda change request procedures are available for the board to consider out-of-cycle requests.

NOTES:

- 1) In the year preceding a board cycle, the board will announce a call for proposal that prescribes which regions, species, and fisheries are set for regulatory review.
- 2) The proposal deadline is April 10 every year. *If April 10 falls on a weekend, the proposal deadline is the Friday preceding that weekend.*

Meeting Areas and Species
Alaska Peninsula/Bering Sea-Aleutian Island/Chignik Areas all Finfish Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim Areas all Finfish Bristol Bay Area all Finfish Statewide Provisions for Finfish Meeting Cycle Years: 2015/2016 2018/2019 2021/2022 2024/2025
Cook Inlet Area all Finfish Kodiak Area all Finfish Statewide (except Southeast/Yakutat) King and Tanner Crab Meeting Cycle Years: 2016/2017 2019/2020 2022/2023 2025/2026
Prince William Sound Area all Finfish Southeast/Yakutat Areas all Finfish and Shellfish Statewide Dungeness Crab, Shrimp, and Miscellaneous Shellfish Meeting Cycle Years: 2017/2018 2020/2021 2023/2024 2026/2027

THE MEETING CYCLE REPEATS ITSELF EVERY THREE YEARS. This schedule was adopted November 9, 1990 and revised based on workload and public participation.

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
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(as of May 20, 2015)

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(DRAFT) NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE
REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

The Alaska Board of Fisheries proposes to adopt, amend, or repeal regulation changes in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with fishery and aquatic plant resources in the areas designated below, including the following regulations:

1. IN THE BRISTOL BAY AREA, INCLUDING THE BRISTOL BAY COMMERCIAL HERRING AREA; IN THE ARCTIC-KOTZEBUE, NORTON SOUND-PORT CLARENCE, YUKON, AND KUSKOKWIM AREAS (collectively referred to as Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim or A-Y-K Areas), INCLUDING THE KUSKOKWIM COMMERCIAL HERRING AREA, AND IN THE YUKON RIVER, TANANA RIVER, AND KUSKOKWIM-GOODNEWS SPORT FISH AREAS; IN THE ALASKA PENINSULA, ALEUTIAN ISLANDS, CHIGNIK, AND ATKA-AMLIA AREAS, INCLUDING THE ALASKA PENINSULA-ALEUTIAN ISLANDS COMMERCIAL HERRING AREA AND THE ALASKA PENINSULA-ALEUTIAN ISLANDS SPORT FISH AREA; IN THE EASTERN GULF OF ALASKA, PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND, COOK INLET, KODIAK, SOUTH ALASKA PENINSULA, CHIGNIK, BERING SEA-ALEUTIAN ISLANDS, AND CHUKCHI-BEAUFORT COMMERCIAL GROUND FISH AREAS,; AND STATEWIDE (GENERAL PROVISIONS) FINFISH REGULATION.

A. In the **commercial, sport, guided sport, personal use, and aquatic plant fisheries:** fishing seasons, periods, and opening and closing times; bag, possession, size, age, sex, and harvest limits; harvest levels, thresholds, goals, or quotas; bycatch provisions; districts, subdistricts, sections, subsections, areas, and other management boundaries; locations open and closed to fishing; methods and means; gear specifications; gear, vessel, and general restrictions, including marking requirements definitions, and operational requirements and limitations, and registration and permit requirements; registration areas (including exclusive and superexclusive registration areas), permits, harvest record and reporting, and harvest marking requirements; forage fishery classification and management plans; landing requirements; management plans. special harvest areas, and other regulations for the conservation, development and allocation of fishery and aquatic plant resources among beneficial uses; permit stacking; guiding principles; emergency order authority; restrictions and requirements for the retention, tendering, dispatch, possession, sale, release, or purchase of fish; methods of release; registration and reporting requirements for fish guides, guided anglers, catchers, processors, buyers and transporters; onboard observer requirements; fish storage and inspection requirements.

B. In the **subsistence fisheries:** identify subsistence uses and users; fishing seasons, periods, and opening and closing times; harvest levels; methods and means; size, age, sex, and harvest limits; districts, subdistricts, sections, subsections, areas, and other management boundaries; locations open and closed to fishing; gear, vessel, and general restrictions, including marking requirements, definitions, and

operational requirements and limitations; gear specifications; registration and permit requirements, requirements for marking and possession of fish; management plans and other regulations for the conservation, development and allocation of fishery and aquatic plant resources among beneficial uses and users; identify customary and traditional uses of fish stocks; determine amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence uses; distinguish among subsistence users, including creating and regulating tier II fisheries; and establish, change or adjust subsistence fisheries.

For a copy of the proposed regulation changes contact the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, (ADF&G) Boards Support Section, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526, (907) 465-4110, or <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.main>.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to the private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments limited to no more than 100 single-sided or 50 double-sided pages to the ADF&G, Boards Support Section, at P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526. Additionally, the Boards Support Section will accept comments by facsimile at (907) 465-6094, by email to dfg.bof.comments@alaska.gov (PDF format only), or online at <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.main>. Individuals and advisory committees directing public comment at an ADF&G office or personnel other than as prescribed above do not have assurance their comments will be received and entered as public comment.

Comments are due generally no later than two weeks prior to the meeting during which the topics are considered. Unless otherwise specified for a particular meeting in a published notice, written comments exceeding the page limit from any one individual or group relating to proposals at any one meeting will not be accepted. Written comments limited to 10 single-sided or 5 double-sided pages in length from any one individual or group are accepted after the two-week deadline and inserted in board member workbooks at the beginning of the meeting, and are also accepted during the meeting and until the board begins proposal deliberations.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT STANDARD:

Once a meeting begins and during a meeting written comments from any one individual or group may be submitted by hand delivery at any time if the required number of copies are provided (typically in excess of 25 copies). Individuals not in attendance at a meeting may fax comments to 907-465-6094. As a practical matter, comments submitted after the board begins deliberations on relevant proposals are likely to receive less consideration than comments submitted earlier.

Once proposal deliberations begins at meetings, the board will **ONLY** accept written comments on the topics being considered at the meeting from any one individual or group that are not more than five single-sided pages, or the equivalent number of double-sided pages, unless specific information is requested by the board that requires more pages than allowed under this standard.

Each meeting will generally start at 8:30 a.m. on the first day of the meeting dates below unless the board directs a different start time. The public oral testimony period of each regulatory meeting

begins after staff reports and continues until everyone who has signed up timely and is present has an opportunity to be heard. The board will take oral testimony only from those who register before the cut-off time announced by the board chair at each meeting. The length of oral statements may be limited to three minutes or less. Anyone interested in, or affected by, the subject matter contained in this legal notice should make written or oral comments to have their views considered by the board. Additional public hearings with board committees may be held during the meeting before proposal deliberation.

TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE

Alaska Peninsula / Bering Sea – Aleutian Islands / Chignik Pacific Cod

November 30-December 1, 2015

Egan Convention Center, 555 W. 5th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska

Comment Deadline: November 19, 2015

Bristol Bay Finfish

December 2-8, 2015

Egan Convention Center, 555 W. 5th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska

Comment Deadline: November 19, 2015

Arctic / Yukon / Kuskokwim Finfish

January 12-16, 2016

Alpine Lodge, 4920 Dale Road, Fairbanks, Alaska

Comment Deadline: December 28, 2015

Alaska Peninsula / Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands / Chignik Finfish

February 23-March 1, 2016

Sheraton Hotel, 401 E. 6th Avenue Anchorage, Alaska

Comment Deadline: February 8, 2016

Statewide Finfish General Provisions, State-waters Pollock, and Supplemental Issues

March 8-11, 2016

Hilton Hotel, 500 W 3rd Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska

Comment Deadline: February 18, 2016

Any changes to meeting locations, dates or times, or rescheduling of topics or subject matter will be announced by news release. Please watch for these announcements in the news media or call (907) 465-4110. Please carefully review the ***PROPOSAL INDEX*** available for the meeting for specific proposals to be addressed by the board. Copies of the proposal indices are in the proposal book, available online at <http://www.boards.adfg.state.ak.us>, and at the relevant meeting. State-waters pollock proposals scheduled for the Statewide Finfish meeting, March 8-11, 2016, will be received by Boards Support by September 4, 2015. The board may also include accepted agenda change requests as new proposals following its October 21-22, 2015 work session. Any additional proposals will be noticed and made available online and upon request.

Anyone interested in or affected by subsistence, personal use, commercial fishing, sport, guided sport, or aquatic plant regulations are hereby informed that the Board of Fisheries may consider

any or all of the subject areas covered by this notice. Under AS 44.62.200(b), the board may review the full range of activities appropriate to any of the subjects listed in this notice. The board may make changes to the personal use, sport, guided sport or commercial fishing regulations as may be required to ensure the subsistence priority in AS 16.05.258. On its own motion, after public hearing, the board may adopt, amend, reject, supplement, or take no action on these subjects without further notice. In addition, the board may adopt other regulations necessary to implement, administer, or enforce the regulations adopted. **THE BOARD IS NOT LIMITED BY THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OR CONFINES OF THE ACTUAL PROPOSALS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC OR STAFF.** The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED.

If you are a person with a disability who needs special accommodation in order to participate in the proposed regulation process, please contact Glenn Haight at (907) 465-4110 no later than two weeks prior to the beginning of each meeting to ensure necessary accommodations can be provided.

Statutory Authority: AS 16.05 - AS 16.20, AS 16.40

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05 - AS 16.20, AS 16.40

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulatory actions are not expected to require an increased appropriation.



Glenn Haight, Executive Director
Alaska Board of Fisheries

07/31/2015

Date

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
ALASKA PENINSULA / CHIGNIK / ALEUTIAN ISLANDS- BERING SEA PACIFIC
COD
NOVEMBER 30–DECEMBER 1, 2015

PROPOSAL INDEX

Following is a list of proposals that will be considered at the above meeting sorted by general topic. A board committee roadmap will be developed and distributed prior to the meeting.

PROPOSAL NUMBER (21 proposals) SUBJECT

Chignik Pacific Cod (9 proposals)

- 1 Add purse seine gear as an additional gear type to share the 10 percent mechanical jigging machine and hand troll (jig) gear allocation in the Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery.
- 2 Allow bycatch retention of Pacific cod in the Chignik Area salmon seine fishery. *(This proposal will be heard at the Pacific cod meeting and heard and deliberated on at the Alaska Peninsula / Chignik / Aleutian Islands Finfish meeting.)*
- 3 Apportion the Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod allocation for pot vessels by vessel length.
- 4 Establish daily pot gear fishing periods for the Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery.
- 5 Change date that gear limits may be removed in the Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery.
- 6 Include a change in designation of Chignik Area from a superexclusive registration area to a nonexclusive registration area after October 30 in the Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery.
- 7 Change pot storage regulations for the Chignik Area state-waters Pacific cod pot gear fishery.
- 8 Limit the number of pots in the parallel Pacific cod fishery in the Chignik Area to 60 per vessel.
- 9 Reduce waters closed for the protection of Steller sea lions during the parallel Pacific cod fishery in the Chignik Area.

South Alaska Peninsula Pacific Cod (4 proposals)

- 10 Increase the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery guideline harvest level from 30 percent to 35 percent of the Western Gulf of Alaska acceptable biological catch.
- 11 Increase the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery guideline harvest level from 30 percent to 40 percent of the Western Gulf of Alaska acceptable biological catch.
- 12 Apportion the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod allocation for pot vessels by vessel length.
- 13 Resolve conflict in pot storage regulations for the South Alaska Peninsula state-waters Pacific cod pot gear fishery.

Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands Pacific Cod (8 proposals)

- 14 Calculate guideline harvest levels for Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands state-waters Pacific cod fisheries based on federal acceptable biological catch for subareas of the federal Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands area.
- 15 Expand the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery boundaries and increase the state-waters fishery guideline harvest level from three percent to nine percent of the federal Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands acceptable biological catch.
- 16 Increase guideline harvest level for the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery from three percent to seven percent of the federal Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands acceptable biological catch.
- 17 Increase the vessel size limit from 58 to 125 feet overall length for the Dutch Harbor Subdistrict state-waters Pacific cod fishery.
- 18 Align Aleutian Islands District state-waters Pacific cod season opening and closing dates with recent changes to federal Pacific cod management.
- 19 Modify vessel size limit for longline vessels in the Aleutian Islands District state-waters Pacific cod B season based on remaining guideline harvest level.
- 20 Define waters between 175° W long to 178° W long as the Adak District in the Aleutian Islands District state-waters Pacific cod fishery.
- 21 Update state-waters Pacific cod management plans of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands with current federal references for Steller sea lion protection.

**ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
BRISTOL BAY FINFISH
DECEMBER 2–8, 2015**

PROPOSAL INDEX

Following is a list of proposals that will be considered at the above meeting sorted by general topic. A board committee roadmap will be developed and distributed prior to the meeting.

PROPOSAL NUMBER (70 proposals) SUBJECT

Commercial Salmon District Boundaries, Registration, Permit Stacking (32 proposals)

Alaska Peninsula Area/Bristol Bay Area Boundary (3 proposals) This set of proposals will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Alaska Peninsula/Chignik/Aleutian Islands Finfish meeting.

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| 22 | Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area. |
| 23 | Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area. |
| 24 | Move all waters of the Northern District east of the latitude of Cape Seniavin from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area. |

District Boundaries/Gear (6 proposals)

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| 25 | Expand district boundary lines. |
| 26 | Create new general fishing sections that are in effect following achievement of escapement goals, or July 17, until July 27. |
| 27 | Require that a CFEC permit holder's name displayed on a set gillnet site marking sign complies with the same character size marking requirements for permit numbers. <i>(This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)</i> |
| 28 | Change the character size requirements for set gillnet marking signs. <i>(This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)</i> |
| 29 | Allow a set gillnet permit holder to operate and deploy gillnet gear seaward of the permit holder's own set gillnet, and within the permit holder's setnet site. |
| 30 | Change the description of set gillnet exemptions that allow operations where beaches at mean low tide are not connected to either exposed land or land not covered at high tide, by deleting references to regulatory markers. |
| 220 | Prohibit net barges, floating processors, tenders, and hard fixed buoys in waters of the Egegik District during open drift gillnet fishing periods. |
| 221 | Prohibit tenders, fish buyers, and fish transport vessels from anchoring within 1,500 feet of set gillnet sites. |

Registration (14 proposals)

- 31 Change the area registration requirements to require district registration prior to fishing in a district in Bristol Bay.
- 32 Change the area registration date requirement for the Bristol Bay commercial salmon fishery.
- 33 Change the area registration date requirement for the Bristol Bay commercial salmon fishery.
- 34 Reduce the required waiting period when registering for a new district from 48 hours to 12 hours.
- 35 Require drift gillnet operations to register the day of fishing during emergency order periods.
- 36 Change the registration requirement for commercial salmon fishing in the Egegik District.
- 37 Change the area registration date requirement from June 25 to June 1 for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts for the drift gillnet fleet.
- 38 Change registration requirements for fisheries under emergency order conditions and change the registration date for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts from June 25 to June 18.
- 39 For the Naknek-Kvichak District, eliminate the registration date of June 25, and require registration only before fishing in the district.
- 40 Change the drift gillnet registration date in the Naknek-Kvichak District from June 25 to June 17.
- 41 Change the area registration requirement for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts by removing the June 25 start date.
- 42 Allow set gillnet operators to transfer within the Nushagak statistical areas without the 48-hour time requirement.
- 43 Repeal set gillnet reregistration requirement for statistical areas within the Nushagak District.
- 44 Modify Togiak District registration restriction requirements that apply until July 27 to include a fishing vessel.

Permit Stacking (9 proposals)

- 45 Reauthorize Bristol Bay set gillnet permit stacking.
- 46 Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations.
- 47 Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations and up to one and one-half the current legal limit of gear for one permit to be operated when permit stacking.
- 48 Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations in the Bristol Bay Area.
- 49 Allow two set gillnet permit holders to jointly operate with up to 75 fathoms of set gillnet gear and require both permit numbers on identification sign.
- 50 Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations in the Egegik District.
- 51 Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay.
- 52 Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay and the operation of 200 fathoms of drift

- gillnet gear from a vessel with an individual holding two drift gillnet permits.
- 53 Increase the amount of drift gillnet gear allowed when two permit holders are jointly operating.

Commercial Salmon Management Plans and District Provisions (24 proposals)

Egegik/Ugashik (2 proposals)

- 54 Close by the Egegik District Special Harvest Area to commercial salmon fishing for five days during times of high intercept fishing.
- 55 Modify set gillnet operations in the Ugashik District.

Naknek/Kvichak (5 proposals)

- 56 Create an inriver Alagnak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.
- 57 Create an inriver Kvichak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.
- 58 Expand the boundaries of the Naknek Section of the Naknek-Kvichak District.
- 59 Revise boundaries of closed waters at Graveyard Point in the Naknek-Kvichak District.
- 60 Create a special harvest area in the Graveyard Creek area.

Nushagak (14 proposals)

- 61 Increase the minimum distance drift gillnet operations must maintain from a set gillnet operation in the Nushagak District.
- 62 Increase the minimum distance drift gillnet operations must maintain from a set gillnet operation in the Nushagak District.
- 63 Change the seaward minimum distance between set gillnet gear in the Clark's Point area in the Nushagak District.
- 64 Increase fishing time for drift gillnet gear during incoming tides in the Nushagak District.
- 65 In the Nushagak District repeal emergency order authority to limit gillnet mesh to not exceed four and three-quarters inches.
- 66 Amend the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to establish a fixed escapement goal, change the fishery start date, and repeal language pertaining to pink salmon escapement.
- 67 Change the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to reflect changes in escapement goals that have previously been implemented.
- 219 Address allocation impacts that may come from potential changes in escapement goals and trigger points in the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan.
- 68 Repeal Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan.
- 69 Amend the Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan to eliminate management based on Nushagak District drift and set gillnet gear allocations.
- 70 Modify the Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan to open separate drift and set gillnet fishing periods

- based on achievement of gear allocation instead of a fixed seasonal fishing period ratio.
- 71 Update the description of the Wood River Special Harvest Area by deleting references to regulatory markers.
- 72 Change the description of statistical areas in the Nushagak District by deleting references to department regulatory markers, and renaming the Nushagak Statistical Area.
- 73 Redefine the description of the Nushagak District and the Igushik Section in the Nushagak District by deleting references to department regulatory markers.
- 74 Redefine the description of closed waters for salmon in the Snake River in the Nushagak District by deleting a reference to department regulatory markers.

Togiak (3 proposals)

- 75 Reduce the amount of time that certain waters in the Togiak District are closed to commercial fishing for salmon with a drift gillnet.
- 76 Change the current description of the Osviak Section in the Togiak District by correcting a GPS coordinate in the description.
- 77 Change the Togiak District Salmon Management Plan to reflect recent department escapement goal changes, and remove coho and king salmon goals.

Subsistence, Sport, Commercial Herring (14 proposals)

Bristol Bay Subsistence (5 proposals)

- 78 Change the boundaries, methods of harvest, and seasons for subsistence harvests of sockeye salmon in the Naknek River drainage.
- 79 Eliminate subsistence fishing period for the Naknek, Egegik, and Ugashik Rivers to allow subsistence salmon fishery to occur any time.
- 80 Re-describe the subsistence fishing area in the Nushagak District that is restricted to three days per week by removing references to regulatory markers.
- 81 Define subsistence fishing boundaries so that the 10 fathom net restriction applies to Dillingham beaches and the 25 fathom net length restriction applies elsewhere, and remove reference to department regulatory markers.
- 82 Establish and adopt amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence uses for herring spawn on kelp in waters of the Togiak District.

Bristol Bay Sport Fisheries (5 proposals)

- 83 Allow the traditional harvest of whitefish and non-salmon subsistence fish in specific waters of the Newhalen River.
- 84 Establish non-retention king salmon sport fishing in the Big Creek drainage of the Naknek River drainage.
- 85 Redefine the sport fishing boundary description for non-retention of king salmon in the Big Creek drainage.

- 86 Implement a mail-in requirement for all king salmon harvest tickets in Bristol Bay sport fisheries.
- 87 Eliminate the use of egg-simulating lures in rainbow trout fishing.

Bristol Bay Herring (4 proposals)

- 88 Change the regulatory description for herring purse seine and hand purse seine.
- 89 Delete references to sac roe in the Bristol Bay Herring Management Plan.
- 90 Change the management plan to allow the department to waive the catch allocation requirement for gillnet and purse seine fleets.
- 91 Redefine the description of closed waters for the Togiak herring fishery by deleting references to department regulatory markers.

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Kuskokwim Area Salmon and Herring (15 proposals)

Kuskokwim Salmon Management Plan (3 proposals)

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| 92 | Modify the Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Plan to manage the king salmon subsistence fishery based on the Bethel Test Fishery. |
| 93 | Modify the Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Plan to establish an inriver run goal of king salmon above the Bethel Test Fishery. |
| 94 | Establish an inriver run goal for the Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Plan. |

Subsistence Salmon (6 proposals)

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| 95 | Create a Tier II subsistence king salmon fishery in the Kuskokwim River. |
| 96 | Separate the amounts necessary for subsistence use of king salmon into three parts on the Kuskokwim River. |
| 97 | Create a permitting system for king salmon subsistence fishing in the Kuskokwim River. |
| 98 | Establish descriptions of subsistence fishing sections for the Kuskokwim River during times of king salmon conservation. |
| 99 | Modify gear operation in the Kuskokwim River by limiting four-inch mesh subsistence gear to one gillnet per household. |
| 100 | Establish subsistence beach seine specifications in the Kuskokwim Area. |

Commercial Salmon (4 proposals)

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| 101 | Repeal Kuskokwim Area depth specifications for commercial gillnets greater than six-inch mesh. |
| 102 | Change gillnet mesh size from six inches or smaller to five and three-quarters inches or smaller in District 4 of the Kuskokwim Area. |
| 103 | Amend the Kuskokwim Area District 4 Salmon Management Plan to include District 5. |
| 104 | Increase the commercial fishing area in District 5 of the Kuskokwim Area. |

Sport Salmon (1 proposals)

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| 105 | Modify gear specifications to reduce king salmon harvest in the Kanektok and Arolik rivers. |
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Commercial Herring (1 proposal)

106 Extend the Nelson Island herring fishing district from Atrnak Point toward Cape Vancouver.

Yukon Area Salmon (22 proposals)

Management Plans (5 proposals)

- 107 Close the Yukon River summer chum salmon commercial fishery to protect king salmon.
- 108 Reduce management triggers in the Yukon River Summer Chum Salmon Management Plan based on the run size of summer chum salmon.
- 109 Modify the Yukon River Summer Chum Salmon Management Plan triggers.
- 110 Increase the commercial fishery threshold trigger in the Yukon River Drainage Fall Chum Salmon Management Plan.
- 111 Eliminate the use of GHs in the Yukon River King Salmon Management Plan.

Subsistence (10 proposals)

- 112 Allow all gear used in Yukon Area commercial fisheries to be allowed in Yukon Area subsistence fisheries.
- 113 Prohibit the use of drift gillnets in the Yukon Area subsistence fishery and in the Yukon Area commercial fishery.
- 114 Require subsistence salmon fishing permits in Yukon Area District 5 and set permit limits for king salmon during times of king salmon conservation.
- 115 Allow for the retention of king salmon less than 25 inches in length in Yukon Area fish wheel subsistence fisheries.
- 116 During times of salmon conservation in the Yukon Area, require fish wheels with live boxes to be manned and require immediate release of the specified salmon.
- 117 Prohibit the use of beach seines in the Yukon Area subsistence salmon fishery and in the Yukon River and Anvik River summer chum salmon commercial fisheries.
- 118 Establish specifications for a beach seine used for subsistence fishing in the Yukon Area.
- 119 Require live release of king salmon from subsistence beach seines during times of king salmon conservation in the Yukon Area.
- 120 Allow subsistence fall chum salmon fishing seven days per week in District 5 of the Yukon Area once a fall chum salmon commercial fishery is opened.
- 121 Expand the area of allowable subsistence drift gillnet fishing for chum salmon in Subdistrict 4-A of the Yukon Area.

Commercial (7 proposals)

- 122 Modify Yukon Area commercial set gillnet length specification to an aggregate length standard.
- 123 Further define commercial beach seine specifications for summer chum salmon in the Yukon Area.
- 124 Allow for six-inch or smaller mesh gillnets in the commercial salmon fishery in Yukon River District 6 by emergency order.
- 125 Establish gillnet gear provisions to allow a directed pink salmon commercial fishery in districts 1–3 of the Yukon Area.
- 126 Add purse seine gear as an allowable commercial salmon fishing gear to target summer chum salmon in districts 1–3 of the Yukon River during times of king salmon conservation.
- 127 Expand the commercial fishing area of Yukon Area District 1.
- 128 Extend commercial fishing three miles offshore and north to Point Romanof in District 1 of the Yukon Area.

Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area Salmon (6 proposals)

Subsistence (4 proposals)

- 129 In the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area during times of conservation, require the return of a specified salmon species immediately to the water unharmed when beach seining.
- 130 Allow the restriction of gillnet mesh size during times of conservation for chum and king salmon in any portion of the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area.
- 131 Increase subsistence fishing time with gillnets and beach seines in Subdistrict 1 of Norton Sound District.
- 132 Add cast net as a legal subsistence fishing gear and allow both dip net and cast net gear to be used in all subsistence fisheries in the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area.

Commercial (1 proposal)

- 133 Allow the use of beach seines for commercial harvest of chum and pink salmon in Subdistricts 5 and 6 of the Norton Sound District during times of king salmon conservation.

Norton Sound/Yukon Area Boundary (1 proposal)

- 134 Change the boundary line separating the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area and Yukon Area at Point Romanof in area and district descriptions.

AYK Resident Species (12 proposals)

Sport (6 proposals)

- 135 Prohibit the use of set lines in Grizzly and Jack lakes.
- 136 Allow only one fishing line per angler during the Fielding Lake winter fishery.

- 137 Allow the use of bait during the winter fishery on Fielding Lake.
- 138 Allow retention of Arctic grayling on the Chena River.
- 139 Update the Tanana River Area stocked waters regulation.
- 140 Repeal Yukon River Area rainbow trout regulations.

Subsistence (4 proposals)

- 141 Recognize rod and reel fishing as a legal means for subsistence fishing in all of the Kotzebue District.
- 142 Change the dates gillnet gear may be used in the South Fork and Middle Fork of the Koyukuk River from November 1 to June 30 to August 20 to June 30.
- 143 Reduce the bag and possession limit of northern pike in the Minto Flats Northern Pike Management Plan.
- 144 Allow the use of five and one-half inch mesh gillnets across an entire channel in portions of the Koyukuk River for the purpose of targeting northern pike.

Personal Use (1 proposal)

- 145 Repeal the regulation that prohibits the taking of northern pike in the Tanana River drainage personal use fishery.

Commercial (1 proposal)

- 146 Create a directed commercial fishery for cisco in Norton Sound or Port Clarence Districts.

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PROPOSAL NUMBER (59 proposals) SUBJECT

Area Boundary and North Alaska Peninsula District (28 proposals)

Alaska Peninsula Area/Bristol Bay Area Boundary (3 proposals) This set of proposals will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Alaska Peninsula/Chignik/Aleutian Islands Finfish meeting.

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| 22 | Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area. |
| 23 | Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area. |
| 24 | Move all waters of the Northern District east of the latitude of Cape Seniavin from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area. |

North Alaska Peninsula Salmon Northern District (25 proposals)

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| 147 | Repeal sequential closures in the Bear River, Three Hills, and Ilnik sections. |
| 148 | Allow commercial fishing for salmon with drift gillnet gear in the Ilnik Section. |
| 149 | Create a directed sockeye salmon fishery in the Cinder River Section. |
| 150 | Describe waters of Cinder Lagoon open to commercial salmon fishing. |
| 151 | Consider the catch of non-local salmon as a factor in management of Northern District salmon fisheries. |
| 152 | From June 20 through July 20 manage the Northern District salmon fisheries jointly with Alaska Department of Fish and Game Alaska Peninsula and Bristol Bay staff. |
| 153 | Include information on the abundance of non-local stocks as a factor in managing Northern District commercial salmon fisheries. |
| 154 | Link management actions in the Northern District of the Alaska Peninsula Area commercial salmon fisheries to salmon abundance in adjacent Bristol Bay Area districts. |
| 155 | Close the Outer Port Heiden Section of the Northern District to commercial salmon fishing. |
| 156 | Close the Outer Port Heiden Section of the Northern District to commercial salmon fishing. |

- 157 In the Inner and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District
restrict commercial fishing for salmon to no more than four days in any
seven day period.
- 158 Restrict commercial salmon fishing in the Three Hills, Ilnik, and Outer
Port Heiden sections of the Northern District to no more than one and one-
half miles offshore.
- 159 Open waters of the Outer Port Heiden Section of the Northern District
from one and one half miles to three miles offshore to commercial salmon
fishing.
- 160 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.
- 161 Close waters of the Northern District between zero and one and one-half
miles offshore to commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear when Bear
River and/or Nelson River coho salmon escapements do not meet
objectives.
- 162 Close waters of the Northern District between zero and one and one-half
miles offshore to commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear when Bear
River and/or Nelson River sockeye salmon escapements do not meet
objectives.
- 163 Between the longitude of Three Hills and the northern boundary of the
Outer Port Heiden Section restrict drift and set gillnets to 29 and one-half
meshes depth.
- 164 Manage commercial salmon fishing in the Black Hills Section and in
Moffet Lagoon in the Izembek-Moffet Bay Section based on Moffet
Lagoon escapement.
- 165 In the Nelson Lagoon Section allow the compliment of drift gillnet gear to
be split into two 100 fathom nets that may be fished simultaneously.
- 166 Eliminate closed waters in Caribou Flats and allow drift gillnet fishing in
Caribou Flats by emergency order if Nelson Lagoon escapement goals are
achieved.
- 167 Open the Uruia Bay Section of the Northwestern District to regular fishing
periods.
- 168 Reduce closed waters in Christianson Lagoon.
- 169 Implement global positioning satellite coordinates for all district and
section boundaries in the Northern District of the Alaska Peninsula Area.
- 170 Redefine the boundaries of the Outer Port Heiden Section using GPS
coordinates.
- 171 Implement global positioning satellite coordinates for all district and
section boundaries in the Northern District of the Alaska Peninsula Area.

Commercial Salmon Chignik, South Alaska Peninsula, Gear and Seward Boundary (23 proposals)

Chignik Salmon (5 proposals)

- 172 Increase the passage of sockeye salmon above the Chignik River weir to provide additional subsistence fishing opportunity.
- 173 Reduce waters closed to commercial fishing for salmon in Kujulik, Portage, and Ivanof bays in the Chignik Area.
- 174 In July and August close Chignik Area commercial salmon fisheries between Castle Cape and Kupreanof Peninsula when the Southeastern District Mainland is closed to commercial salmon fishing with set gillnet gear.
- 2 Allow bycatch retention of Pacific cod in the Chignik Area salmon seine fishery. *(This proposal will be heard at the Pacific cod meeting and heard and deliberated on at the Alaska Peninsula / Chignik / Aleutian Islands Finfish meeting.)*
- 175 Create a pink salmon management plan in the Chignik Area.

South Alaska Peninsula Southeastern District Mainland Salmon (5 proposals)

- 176 Amend Southeastern District Mainland commercial salmon set gillnet fishery season opening times and fishing periods.
- 177 Revise the Southeastern District Mainland Salmon Management Plan to allow commercial salmon fishing with set gillnet gear concurrent to the Chignik Area commercial sockeye salmon fishery.
- 178 In the Southeastern District Mainland establish weekly fishing through July 10 for set gillnet gear and from July 11 through July 25 establish 48 hour open fishing periods and closures for set gillnet and purse seine gear.
- 179 Amend the Southeastern District Mainland Salmon Management Plan to establish that 40 percent of the sockeye salmon taken in the East Stepovak, Stepovak Flats, Southwest Stepovak, Balboa Bay, and Beaver Bay sections are considered to be of Chignik River origin.
- 180 Require all salmon harvested in the Southeastern District Mainland fishery to be landed within the Southeastern District.

South Alaska Peninsula Salmon June Management Plan (6 proposals)

- 181 Repeal the South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan.
- 182 Modify the South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan to shift the opening date for the drift gillnet fishery to coincide with the set gillnet fishery opening date.
- 183 Modify the South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan to stagger opening days for the drift and purse seine fisheries.
- 184 Repeal the current South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan and readopt the management plan in place during 2003-2004.
- 185 Establish a Dolgoi Island Section and Dolgoi Island Section Management Plan.

186 Establish a Dolgoi Island Section and Dolgoi Island Section June Management Plan.

South Alaska Peninsula Salmon Post-June Management Plan (2 proposals)

187 Modify the Post-June Salmon Management Plan for South Alaska Peninsula to provide the department authority to make openings for specific gear groups.

188 Establish open commercial salmon fishing periods in the Unalaska District that coincide with the last two open fishing periods in July in the Shumagin Islands Section.

Alaska Peninsula Salmon Gear and Seaward Boundary (5 proposals)

189 Allow for dual permit vessels and increased gear limits for dual permit vessels in the Alaska Peninsula Area commercial salmon purse seine fishery.

190 Change purse seine depth measurement standard from number of meshes deep to an equivalent depth measurement in feet and inches.

191 Repeal minimum mesh size standards for drift gillnet gear.

192 Allow commercial fishing for salmon with set gillnets in the area between Popof Head and Dark Cliffs any time the area is closed to commercial salmon fishing with purse seine gear.

193 Change the Southwestern and Unimak District seaward boundary.

Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands Commercial Herring and Groundfish, and Subsistence and Sport Fish (8 proposals)

Aleutian Islands Groundfish (2 proposals)

194 Close all waters of Unalaska Bay to commercial fishing for groundfish with pelagic trawl gear. *(This proposal will be heard at the Alaska Peninsula / Chignik / Aleutian Islands Finfish meeting, and be heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting)*

195 Update logbook requirements for Aleutian Islands state-waters sablefish fishery.

Dutch Harbor Food and Bait Herring Fishery (1 proposal)

196 Change the date fishermen using purse seine gear may access the Dutch Harbor food and bait herring gillnet allocation from July 25 to July 20.

Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands Subsistence (1 proposal)

197 Clarify when commercial salmon fishing license holders may subsistence fish for salmon in the Alaska Peninsula Area.

Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands Sport Fish (4 proposals)

198 Require non-retention of king Salmon in the Sandy River.

199 Amend the freshwater bag limit provisions for salmon species other than king salmon.

- 200 Close Swanson Lagoon and its tributaries to sport fishing for sockeye salmon.
- 201 Reduce the possession limit for coho salmon in Illiuliuk Creek.

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Method and Means/Gear (1 proposal)

202 Prohibit the use of felt bottom boots in all waters, while fishing.

Sport (6 proposals)

Special Harvest Area Management (1 proposal)

203 Expand emergency order authority to close sport fishing in special harvest areas if hatchery cost recovery goals may not be met.

Methods and Means, Bag Limits (5 proposals)

204 Modify the definition of an artificial fly to include the use of a bare single hook.

205 Clarify that a bead not attached to a hook is an attractor, and not a lure or fly.

206 Revise definition of “closely attended” as it applies to coho salmon fishing.

207 Allow a bang stick to be used to dispatch sport-caught fish.

208 Establish bag limits by port of call.

Commercial (14 proposals)

Forage Fish (3 proposals)

209 Designate Pacific herring as a forage fish.

210 Prohibit directed fisheries on forage fish species, for the purpose of fish meal production.

211 Prohibit the production of fish meal from whole forage fish.

Identification of Gear (2 proposal) (This set of proposals will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)

27 Require that a CFEC permit holder's name displayed on a set gillnet site marking sign complies with the same character size marking requirements for permit numbers.

28 Change the character size requirements for set gillnet marking signs.

Salmon (1 proposal)

212 Repeal or modify the requirement to designate a single salmon net registration area.

Groundfish (7 proposals)

213 Clarify possession and landing requirements for Pacific cod and walleye pollock.

214 Specify that bycatch in excess of the allowable amount will be surrendered to the state and donated to charity and establish fines for bycatch in excess of the allowable amount.

215 Establish a 58' overall length limit for vessels participating in South Alaska Peninsula parallel walleye pollock fishery using trawl gear.

194 Close all waters of Unalaska Bay to commercial fishing for groundfish with pelagic trawl gear. *(This proposal will be heard at the Alaska Peninsula / Chignik / Aleutian Islands Finfish meeting, and be heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting)*

216 Establish a state waters walleye pollock purse seine fishery in Southeast Alaska.

217 Establish fishing season for walleye pollock that does not conflict with salmon season.

218 Establish state-waters walleye pollock jig fishery management plans with guideline harvest levels deducted from total allowable catch (TAC) for the Eastern Gulf of Alaska, Prince William Sound, Cook Inlet, Kodiak, Chignik, South Alaska Peninsula and Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands.

Herring (1 proposal)

126-2014-2015 Establish a commercial open pound herring spawn on kelp fishery in Sitka Sound.

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