

PROPOSAL 266 – 5 AAC 77.516. Personal Use Tanner Crab Fishery. Allow a personal use fishery for Tanner Crab in Lower Cook Inlet with a bag limit of two crabs per person per day, pot limit of two pots per person and unspecified size restrictions on pots and season limits, as follows: Allow a two crab per person two pot with a size restriction on size of pots used.season limits etc.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Establish new management objectives and reopen cook inlet tanner crab personal use fishery. Residents have been deprived of a small personal use fishery past several years because of poor data gathering performed by adfg .We have record recruitment of juvenile crab yet no season on mature males. To get record recruitment obviously there are more than sufficient males for breeding... numerical data on population estimates use over a 300 to 1 ration to determine abundance of mature males which is totally ridiculous. A sport / personal use fishery could be far more useful in accurately determining abundance

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