

PROPOSAL 280 – 5 AAC 01.380. Subsistence fishing permits. Decrease the number of sockeye salmon that may be retained in the subsistence salmon fishery on Front Beach in the Unalaska Bay District to no more than 10 fish, as follows;

5 AAC 01.380 is amended to read:

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(b) No more than 250 salmon may be taken for subsistence purposes unless otherwise specified on the subsistence fishing permit, except that in the Unalaska and Adak Districts,

(1) the holder of a subsistence salmon fishing permit may take no more than 25 salmon **of which no more than 10 sockeye salmon may be harvested from Front Beach in Unalaska Bay,** plus an additional 25 salmon for each member of the same household whose name is listed on the permit, **of which no more than 10 sockeye salmon may be harvested from Front Beach in Unalaska Bay; for the purposes of this section Front Beach consists of all Unalaska Bay waters south of a line running from a point near the Bishop’s House at 53° 52.64’ N. lat., 166° 32.30’ W. long. to a point on the Unalaska Bay shore at 53° 52.68’ N. lat., 166° 30.91’ W. long;** and

(2) a permit holder may obtain an additional permit from the department to harvest more salmon **other than sockeye salmon from Front Beach in Unalaska Bay.**

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What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Iliuliuk Lake supports a stock of sockeye salmon harvested by subsistence fishermen using set gillnet gear on Front Beach in Unalaska Bay. The Iliuliuk Lake sockeye salmon stock is not directly assessed, very little escapement information is available, and no escapement goals have been established for this stock. Due to the lack of information regarding Iliuliuk Lake sockeye salmon stock status and harvest potential of subsistence fishermen on Front Beach, a reduced subsistence harvest limit for sockeye salmon in the Front Beach area may be warranted.

PROPOSED BY: Unalaska/Dutch Harbor Fish and Game Advisory Committee *(formerly ACR 3)*
