

PROPOSAL 82 – 5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Amend Kasilof River early-run king salmon possession requirements, as follows:

5 AAC 56.122(a)(8)(A)(iii) is amended to read:

(8) Kasilof River drainage, excluding Crooked Creek and Tustamena Lake and its tributaries:

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(iii) a person may not possess a king salmon that has been filleted, mutilated, or otherwise disfigured in a manner that prevents the determination that the fish is a hatchery king salmon, until the fish is permanently offloaded from the vessel if the fish was taken from a vessel **and has moved more than 100 yards away from waters open to sport fishing for king salmon in the Kasilof River drainage** or permanently transported away from the fishing site if the fish was taken from the riverbank **and has moved more than 100 yards away from waters open to sport fishing for king salmon in the Kasilof River drainage;**

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? This proposal supports enforcement of regulations that prohibit the harvest of naturally-produced king salmon where only hatchery-produced king salmon may be retained. It creates a regulation for the Kasilof River that is identical to existing regulations in other waters of the Kenai Peninsula that are stocked by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

PROPOSED BY: Alaska Department of Fish and Game

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