

PROPOSAL 170

5 AAC 02.108. Customary and traditional subsistence uses of shellfish stocks. 5 AAC 01.666. Customary and traditional subsistence uses of fish stocks and amounts necessary for subsistence uses. 5 AAC 01.713. Subsistence use of aquatic plants in Southeastern Alaska Area., and 5 AAC 01.716. Customary and traditional subsistence uses of fish stocks and amounts necessary for subsistence uses.

Establish a positive customary and traditional use finding for shellfish and plants for all intertidal areas of Southeast Alaska and Yakutat, as follows:

Add “**(15) unless otherwise specified, include all beach seafood in the Southeastern Alaska-Yakutat Area as defined by 5 AAC 02.100.**”

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Indigenous people of the Ketchikan Indian Community have been using all beach resources throughout southeast Alaska since time immemorial. These include but are not limited to clams, cockles, seaweed, gumboots, sea asparagus, and sea cucumbers. In any indigenous household, you can find a number of these resources at any given time. These resources are part of the identity of traditional users. Therefore, we find it appropriate to have all such beach seafood to be classified as customary and traditional resources.

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