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Subject: SE AK. MONO GILLNET PROPOSAL

To ADF&G

I would like to comment in support of allowing gillnet fishers in SE Alaska the choice of using single strand monofilament nets. The original ruling allowing the use of mono in the Cook Inlet fishery limited them to 50 fathoms of a 150 fathom regulation net. The limitation was dropped, I believe, 2 years later. I have seen no evidence of any increase in wildlife interactions or negative factors in the management of the fishery by allowing the use of monofilament nets. As a gear supplier I like to offer choices to our customers and do not see any downside to allowing this gear option.

Best regards,

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