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I am Paul Beans from Mountain Village, Alaska. I am a member of the Working Committee from Mountain Village. I served on the Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association and presently serve as an alternate board member. I am a subsistence and commercial fisherman. We along the Yukon subsist on the fish and game around Mountain Village. During the summer time we harvest salmon to dry, salt and freeze to be used during the long winter months. The subsistence activities as we all know in Alaska villages, is the same thing that we do here in Mountain Village. We would like to have enough food to use during the winter months.

I would like to stress that we that live along the Lower Yukon are hit hard with proposals that will affect our way of life in regards to subsistence activities. I can only stress that we must work together to have enough salmon for everyone that live in this mighty river. As told by our elders that when we fight for fish or game they will disappear.

There are many proposals and I will address the one's that the Working Committee opposed:

- Proposal 132 - Oppose-Cannot act on it due to possible rebound of the Kings in future
- Proposal 133 - Oppose-Cannot change gear type it is too costly
- Proposal 134 - Oppose-Cannot change gear type in any district at any time
- Proposal 135 - Oppose-Cannot change gear type in any specific area.
- Proposal 136 - Oppose- leave at status quo
- Proposal 137 - Support- Need to work on escapement goals
- Proposal 138 - Oppose - No need to change
- Proposal 139 - Oppose - Concurrent commercial and subsistence is not good.  
Subsistence caught fish may be sold to permit holder.
- Proposal 140 - Support - emergency order openings is not good at times
- Proposal 141 - No Action -Same as Proposal 139
- Proposal 142 - Oppose -Need to close like the rest of the river.
- Proposal 143 - Support - Need more fishing time on river.
- Proposal 144 - Oppose - Cannot change gear too frequently, too costly.
- Proposal 145 - No Action -
- Proposal 146 - Oppose - We have a limit of 7 1/2 inch already
- Proposal 147 - No action
- Proposal 148 - No action
- Proposal 149 - Oppose - leave at status quo
- Proposal 150 - Oppose - Leave at status quo
- Proposal 151 - Support - kings are the best fish and need to conserve for future generations
- Proposal 152 - Oppose - leave at status quo
- Proposal 240 - Oppose - leave at status quo with gill nets

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