On-Time Advisory Committee Comment List Kodiak Finfish January 7–10, 2014

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The following Advisory Committee Comments were received at Chignik Finfish and Lower Co Meetings Regarding Proposals 43, 44, and 45	ook Inlet
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Chignik Fish and Game Advisory Committee

Excerpt of Draft Meeting Minutes pertaining to Kodiak BOF

November 14, 2013

Location: Chignik Lagoon Subsistence Building

Minutes

I. Call to Order at 1:45 pm

II. Roll Call:

Committee Members Present

Don Bumpus, Chignik Lagoon, Vice Chair Rodney Anderson, Chignik Lagoon, Alt. Gary Anderson, Chignik Lagoon Jacob Shangin, Ivanof Bay, Chair Stephan Shangin, Ivanof Bay Patrick Kosbruk, Perryville Boris Kobruk Jr., Perryville

<u>Absent</u>

Noah Shanign, Ivanof Bay Ben Allen, Chignik Bay Don Lind, Chignik Lake Harry Kalmakoff, Chignik Lake Alvin Boskofsky, Chignik Lake Marvin Yagie, Perryville Alfredo Abeuid, Chignik Lagoon

Seven of thirteen members are present, quorum is established.

Others in Attendance:

Susie Jenkins- Brito, ADFG Charlie Russell, ADF&G Mark Stichert, ADF&G James Jackson, ADF&G Gayla Woods, BBNA Frank Woods, BBNA Courtney Gomez, BBNA Chuck McCallum, Lake and Pen. Borough George Anderson, Chignik Lagoon Aaron Anderson, Chignik Lagoon Alvin Pedersen, Chignik Lagoon Ernie Carlson

III. Approve Agenda: Patrick Kosbruk moves for Approval of the Agenda, Gary 2^{nds} Agenda Approved by unanimous consent

IV. Approval of Minutes: Patrick Kosbruk moves to approve the September 10 and October 3 minutes. Minutes approved by unanimous consent.

V. Introductions: All present briefly introduced themselves.

VI. BOF Proposed Regulatory Changes

PROPOSAL 43 -

Action Taken: Oppose 0-7



DESCRIPTION: Create state-waters groundfish management plans for trawl vessels less than 58 feet in the Cook Inlet, Kodiak and Chignik management areas. (This proposal will be considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish meetings.)

Motion to adopt: Rodney Anderson; Second: Don Bumpus DISCUSSION:

Several members expressed concern against any kind of drag fishery citing how fragile our Tanner crab are and are completely opposed to dragging inside three miles.

A major problem with the idea of having 100% observers is that the State doesn't have an observer program and it would be a major hurdle to implement one.

QUESTION CALLED: Patrick Kosbruk

ACTION: Motion Failed 0 - 7

PROPOSAL 44 -

Action Taken: Oppose 0-7

DESCRIPTION: Create state-waters walleye pollock management plans for Cook Inlet, Kodiak and Chignik management areas. (This proposal will be considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish meetings.)

Motion to adopt: Don Bumpus; Second: Rodney Anderson DISCUSSION: QUESTION CALLED: Gary Anderson

ACTION: Motion Failed 0 - 7

PROPOSAL 45 -

Action Taken: Support with Amendment 7-0

DESCRIPTION: Require 100 percent observer coverage on groundfish trawl vessels in state waters of the Cook Inlet, Kodiak and Chignik management areas. (This proposal will be considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish meetings.)

Motion to adopt: Don; Second: Gary

AMENDMENT: Close all Chignik Area State-waters (within 3 miles) to all pelagic and non-pelagic trawl.

DISCUSSION:

It's not clear who would be responsible for observers, the State or the Feds.

Can the State tell feds to have 100% observer coverage inside 3 miles?

If the Feds say no then the State needs to develop its own program and that would be difficult.

The State can keep boats from fishing inside three if they don't have 100% observers.

If they were fishing mid-water then fine but we don't know they are and we don't know the impact on kings and the hitting bottom.

Cod are mid-water also and flatfish can be mid water sometimes and we just don't know the impact.

The eastern District is very shallow inside 3 and your net is going to hit bottom.

By definition Pelagic trawling is mid-water, Aaron A. commented at the meeting, that just because they are considered mid-water doesn't mean that they stay mid-water. The bigger fish are close to the bottom during certain times of the day. The draggers then target them. What they won't tell you though is that they end up scraping the bottom on a regular basis doing so. Because they do this, they try to stay on mud bottom otherwise they tear up their nets. Our crab are on mud bottom.

Crab move tremendous distances, why aren't the crab coming back the way they should? And what is happening to our halibut fishery?

AMENDMENT: Motion: Rodney Anderson; Second: Don Bumpus Amendment made to close all Chignik Area State waters (within 3 miles) to all pelagic trawl. **QUESTION CALLED:** Gary **ACTION:** Motion Passes as Amended 7 - 0

***Stephan Shangin excused from meeting, remaining proposals discussed by subcommittee appointed by the Chair approved unanimously prior to Stephan's departure, subcommittee consists of remaining six AC members.

Kodiak Finfish Proposals

PROPOSAL 92 -

Action Taken: Support with Amendment 6-0

DESCRIPTION: Change management standard that harvest of sockeye salmon in Cape Igvak Section not exceed 15% at any time or before August 26.

Motion to adopt: Don Bumpus; Second: Rodney Anderson

AMENDMENT: Change the August 26 date to July 25.

DISCUSSION: The amendment is to address the only reason that the department opposed the proposal – the department needs to be able to manage the local pinks and chums between July 25 and August 26. Motion to amend: Rodney Anderson; Second: Don Bumpus **QUESTION CALLED:** Gary Anderson **ACTION:** Motion Passed as amended 6 - 0

PROPOSAL 93 -

Action Taken: Support 6-0

DESCRIPTION: Amend plan to apply allocation of 15% of total Chignik sockeye salmon catch only before July 8.

Motion to adopt: Don Bumpus; Second: Gary Anderson

DISCUSSION:

Don- How many reds are taken from Cape Igvak section post July 8th? Dept- Harvest varies from year to year.

Aaron- Is this proposal passes, what would happen post july 8th? Dept- After 25th, they will be managed on local stocks.

George- What is the % of the cape igvak section contribution of the overall Kodiak salmon harvest? Dept- Table 9 of the AMR breakdown by fishery. The information is there.

QUESTION CALLED: ACTION: Motion Passed 6 – 0

PROPOSAL 94 -

Action Taken: Support 6-0

DESCRIPTION: Require check-in and check-out in Cape Igvak Section and delivery of salmon before leaving section.



AC 1 3 of 4 Motion to adopt: Rodney Anderson; Second: Don Bumpus DISCUSSION: Rodney: We as fisherman can get blurred vision when it comes to reporting. I am looking for a way to clarify the reporting. QUESTION CALLED: Don Bumpus ACTION: Motion Passes 6 – 0

> Full Minutes (pertaining to Chignik and Statewide BOF) Available upon Request Meeting Minutes formatted by Susie Jenkins- Brito, ADF&G Boards Support At the Request of the Advisory Committee

AGENDA

SAND POINT FISH & GAME ADVISORY

BOARD MEETING

Date: September 27,2013

Time: 6:00 pm

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LOCATION: City Chambers

1. 2013 Board of Fish Proposals



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(Minutes represent a paraphrased summary of the KAC, department staff and public comments and are not a verbatim transcript of the meeting. Tapes of the meeting are available for public review by contacting the committee secretary)

Call to order: 6:00pm by vice chair Julie Kavanaugh.

Roll call: Members present: Dick Roher(for Paul Chervenak-Big game Guide/Outfitter), Oliver Holm(Small Boat crab/Herring & salmon Seiner), Theresa Peterson(for Pete Hannah-Salmon Gill-net South End), Secretary Don Fox(Alternateretired commercial fisherman), Kip Thomet(Salmon Gill-net West Side), Jason Bunch(Alternate-Coast Guard & Big Game Guide), Ron Kavanaugh(Small Boat Crab/Herring & Salmon Seiner), Patrick O Donnel(for Curt Waters-Trawl Seat), Rolan Ruoss(Transporter), Andy Finke(Kodiak Subsistence), Duncan Fields(Port Lions/Ouizinke-Subsistence), Rick Berns(Old Harbor/Ahkiok Subsistence), Vice-Chair Julie Kavanaugh(Interested Citizen).

Unexcused absences: Larsen Bay/Karluk Subsistence.

Execused absences: Tuck Bonney(Processor),Lou Dochtermann(Large Boat Crab). **Quorum:** Achieved with 13 member present(8 needed).

User groups present: Subsistence, sport fishermen, charter and lodge operators, trawl fishermen, jig fishermen, commercial salmon fishermen, big game guides, processor.

Department Staff: James Jackson, Jeff Wadle, Geoff Spalanger and Birch Foster. **BOF member:** Sue Jeffrey.

Department of Public Safety: Trooper Todd Mountain. Audience: 35.

Approve agenda: Proposal #97 would be taken up after staff reports so Trooper Mountain could return to work. Amended agenda approved unanimously.

Approve minutes of our previous meeting of September 30th 2013: Minutes approved unanimously.

Correspondence: A letter from Rick Blanc with comments on several salmon proposals.

Chair Announcements: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

- 1) Department presentation on the wrap-up of the 2013 salmon season and forecast for 2014 by James Jackson and on herring by Geoff Spalanger.
- 2) Salmon proposals:
- Adjourn: 11:20 pm will take up sport and ground fish at 6pm on the 18th of December.

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Kodiak Fish & Game Advisory Committee December 17th & 18th, 2013---KNWR Visitors Center

Julie Kavanaugh: Chairman

Roll call: Called to order at 6:00pm by vice chair Julie Kavanaugh. **Members present:** Same as the 17th except for Any Finke was absent and Tuck Bonney was present.

Quorum: Achieved with 13 members present(8 needed).

User groups present: Same as on the 17th.

Staff: Wayne Donaldson, Mark Stichert, Don Tracy and Tyler Pollum.

BOF member: Sue Jeffrey.

Audience: 30.

Agenda: Approved unanimously.

Chair announcements: None.

Correspondence: None.

Old business: Theresa Peterson was selected to chair the committee work group to develop alternate language for proposal #91 to be submitted as a RC at the Kodiak BOF meeting. **New business:**

- 1) Sport fish proposals:
- 2) Ground fish proposals
- 3) KAC member for the BOF: Julie Kavanaugh was selected to represent the committee at BOF meeting. Don Fox and Julie Kavanaugh were selected to sit in on BOF committees in case there was more than one committee.
- 4) Date of next KAC meeting: Late February(around the 24th) was selected to hold committee elections and address Cycle A state wide game and King and Tanner crab proposals
- 5) ADJOURN: 10:20 pm.

Salmon proposals;

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Julie Kavanaugh: Chairman

Department staff provided the committee with staff comments and information packets to aide in our discussions.

BOF-Proposal # 88: Change staggered fishing periods in Olga Bay, Moser Bay, Alitak Bay and Cape Alitak.

OPPOSE-support 0- 0ppose 13.

Staff comments: Would increase time nets were out of the water probably increasing escapements when larger escapements not needed. The department wishes to avoid terminal fisheries.

Committee comments: Agree with staff comments. The KAC supports the plan that is in place now. All groups get a chance to fish without gear in front of them. Wouldn't want to constrain the departments ability to manage the fishery.

BOF-Proposal #89: Change management dates for Cape Alitak Section based on late Upper Station returns.

OPPOSE-support 0-oppose 13.

Staff comments: Opposed.

Committee comments: In reply to member Fields question about the magnitude of the pink salmon run the department stated that the current structure allows them to protect the weak runs. In odd years the smaller run shows up earlier then in the even year cycle where it's somewhat later. The committee agreed with and supports the departments current management strategy.

BOF-Proposal #90: Establish management options for the Humpy/Deadman Section after July 15th for the protection of other salmon runs in the Alitak District.

OPPOSE-support 1-oppose 12.

Staff comments: Opposed.

Committee comments: In reply to a question as to what would happen if the lines were withdrawn to avoid catches of mixed stocks the department felt it would be difficult to control the pink salmon escapements and they wanted to avoid putting too many pink salmon up the river and having to catch the fish in a terminal fishery. KAC members agreed with and supported the staffs position.

Minority opinion: Ms. Peterson felt that a more refined approach in boundary lines could provide additional sockeye escapement to struggling systems.

BOF-Proposal #91: Amend the management plan to direct the department to manage for early run Upper Station sockeye and to achieve biological escapement goals(BEG) for early run Upper Station and Frazer sockeye salmon.

(Proposal # 91-continued)

SUPPORT(as amended)-support 13-oppose 0.

Staff comments: The intent of the BOF for salmon management plans is to harvest the fish in traditional harvest areas. Non-traditional harvests are terminal fisheries which the department wishes to avoid.

Committee comments: Committee members agree with and support staff comments.KAC members all agreed that escapements into the early sockeye run should be increased but felt

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more time would be needed to work out a solution. A amendment was offered and adopted unanimously to form a committee group comprised of both gear types to come up with substitute language by the time of the Kodiak BOF meeting to be submitted by the KAC as a RC. **Amendment:** The Kodiak Advisory Committee supports in principle management measures that would allow for the possibility of increased escapement in Upper Station to be worked out by the two user groups prior to the BOF meeting and that would also allow for Upper Station rehabilitation projects.

The Kodiak Advisory Committee would like to preface all comments on proposals #92-93 and 94 with the following statement: The KAC requests that the Alaska Board of Fisheries encourage the Alaska Department of Fish & Game to prioritize funding for genetic stock identification of sockeye salmon caught in the June 1st-July 25th time frame in the Cape Igvak Section of the Kodiak Management District.

BOF-Proposal # 92-Change management standard that harvest of sockeye salmon not exceed 15% at any time on or before August 26th.

Oppose- support 0-oppose 13.

Staff comments: Adoption of the proposal would make it extremely difficult to achieve the 15% sockeye allocation. The department traditionally goes over the 15% prior to the overlap period between the early and late runs. The difference is made up later. The Chignik fleet continues to fish during the overlap period so their catch numbers go up. After July 26 the department manages for local pink and chum stocks.

Committee comments: We agree with and support staff comments. The sockeye caught during the Igvak fishery contain mixed stocks that are all not bound for Chignik. Without genetic stock assessment these mixed stocks cannot be separated. This proposal is a round about way to lower the Kodiak fleets 15% share of this traditional fishery.

BOF-Proposal #93- Amend plan to apply allocation of 15% of total Chignik sockeye catch only before July 15th.

Oppose- support 0- oppose 13.

Committee comments: This proposal would cut the time in half the Kodiak fleet is allowed to harvest their allocation in this traditional fishery.

We would like to reference our comments from the previous proposal #92.

BOF -_**Proposal #94-** Require check in and check out in cape Igvak Section and delivery of salmon before leaving section.

Opposed-support 0-oppose13.

Staff comments: Department is **opposed** we have no reason to believe catches are being mis-represented by the Kodiak fleet. In season harvest data and fish tickets are the best information.

Committee comments: Agree with and support staff comments. Boats fishing in the Cape Igvak fishery are required to delivery daily on the grounds for reasons of fish quality. Later in the season when effort is down not all canneries can afford to keep a tender in the area this

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requirement would place an undue burden on Kodiak fisherman who only deliver to a single processor.

BOF-Proposal #95- The proposal would require the department to open the Central Section of the North West District on June 28th for one, set gill net only, 114hr fishing period.

Support(as amended)-support 7 -oppose 6

(amendment passed 10-3- main motion passed 7-6)

Staff comments: Opposed because of harvest of Karluk bound early run sockeye.

Committee comments: KAC members agreed with the maker of the proposal Mr. Berns that since by the 28th of June the majority (88%) of the Karluk early run sockeye are past the weir and the majority of the rest are in the lagoon at Karluk that few early run sockeye would be caught in a late June early July set-net only fishery. They would be targeting Spirdon(Telarod Cove) bound KRAA enhanced stocks. It was felt that this was a matter of equity as this is the only KRAA enhancement project that set-netters are able to participate in. Gill-net fisherman pay an enhancement tax to the KRAA on all the fish they catch but all the other projects are in seine only areas. The terminal fishery at Telarod Cove is a seine only area. When the fishery in the Central Section is closed due to low Karluk escapements the opportunity to harvest the enhanced stocks is lost when in the years Karluk stocks are strong both gear types have the opportunity to fish plus the seine fleet has the terminal fishery also. This fishery would only be open if Karluk has met minimum escapement goals.

Amendment: This proposal would require the department to open the Central Section of the North West Kodiak district on or before July 3rd for one (1) set gillnet only opening for an 81hr fishing period if or when the lower Karluk escapement goal is met.

Minority opinion: Some of the Telarod fish are taken for cost recovery in 2013 approximately 100,000 were. The association would probably be taking more in the future for cost recovery. The amended date of on or before the 3rd of July is pushing close to the July 6th date for the traditional opening that allows the fleet to begin harvesting pink and chum salmon.

BOF Proposal#96- After August 15th, allow gillnet gear in inner bay sections of the Northwest Kodiak district during open fishing periods if Central and North cape sections are closed for more than 48hrs.

Oppose-support 3-oppose 9-abstained 1.

Staff comments: Neutral the proposal is allocative.

Committee comments: Most committee members felt there would be gear conflicts and that the ability to harvest pinks in the inner bays would not be available to everyone. The set-net fishery **(Proposal #96-continued)** is a skiff fishery and with out a larger vessel travel to and from the open areas would not be available to all fishermen. KAC members did not want to revive the old seiner vrs gillnetter allocation battles of the past and want to leave the status quo in place. **Minority opinion:** Mr. fields felt that this was a matter of equity and that to have the outside fishery shut down to protect late run Karluk sockeye stocks then have the inner bays only open to the seine fleet to harvest pink salmon was unfair. He felt there was a need to address this now or in the next Kodiak BOF cycle.

BOF-Proposal #97- Delay closure of the North West Kodiak District if a gale warning is forecast for Shelikof Strait.

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Oppose-Support 1-Oppose 12.

Staff comments: Opposed because of concerns for the departments ability to manage for KMA salmon escapements.

Department of public safety comments: Trooper Mountain attended the meeting to address what the position of enforcement would be: " as long as a good faith effort was made and you notified the troopers in a timely manner (not right at closure time) in the event of mechanical difficulty or extreme weather conditions you would not be cited. The fish caught after the closure time would be forfeit to the State of Alaska".

Committee comments: Agreed with and support staff and public safety comments. The majority of set-netters at the meeting stated that when it appeared bad weather was forecast that they pulled their nets earlier than the closure time. KAC members felt that in extreme weather some of the larger seine vessels in the fleet could keep fishing while smaller vessels would be anchored up in more sheltered areas thus resulting in a re-allocation of fish to the bigger seiners. What's a gale to some set-netters could be a millpond to others all depending on the wind direction. Committee member Mr. Fox stated that he usually can always pick his nets in most weather conditions while still not being able to pick his gear up so he would in all probability fish till the end of the weather extension.

Minority opinion: Mr. Fields felt that it was a issue of vessel and fisherman safety because of the nature of the fishery that was being prosecuted in small open vessels.

BOF-Proposal #98- Allow CFEC salmon seine permit holders to operate additional gear under a dual permit or joint venture.

Oppose-support 1-oppose 12.

Audience comments: Quite a few seine fishermen in the audience were concerned about the number of unused permits. There was a fear that with the increased ex-vessel value of seine catches these permits would enter the fishery (approximately ½ of the seine permits are not being fished). They felt that adoption of this proposal would remove permits from the fishery. Committee comments: Longer purse seines would reallocate fish from the set-net to the seine fishery especially in the mixed gear areas. It would increase the efficiency of the large vessels vrs the smaller ones unable to fish the larger seines. KAC members also believed the value of permits would be driven up making it more difficult for new entrants to enter the seine fishery. Minority opinion: Agreed with and supported the comments from the audience.

BOF Proposal #99- Reinstate dual set-net permits for single permit holders to fish additional gear.

Oppose-support 1-oppose 10-abstain 1.

Committee comments: Adoption of proposal #99 would allow for consolidation of the fishery making it more expensive and difficult for new entrants into the fishery. KAC member Mr. Fox stated he knew of at least two instances where a permit holder bought a neighbors site and put both permits in their names after dual permits were repealed at the last Kodiak BOF meeting the permits were subsequently put in crew members names. Of the 12 set-net fisheries in the state Kodiak had the second highest gross per permit. No one should be guaranteed a living permit holders should be active in the fishery. When you have permit stacking it allows someone to

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Julie Kavanaugh: Chairman

have an income but not participate actively in the fishery which was the original intent of the CFEC limited entry program.

Minority opinion: Felt that the large multi-permit family operations needed the ability to fish all their permits and gear especially in these years of lower ex-vessel per permit earnings for the setnet fleet.

Abstentions: Had mixed feelings but felt there was some benefits for family operations but could see the loss of opportunity for new entrants into the set-net fishery.

Sport fish proposals

BOF-Proposal #100-Restore sport limit of rockfish to 10 per day outside of Chiniak Bay. **Support(as amended)-support 12-oppose 1.**

Staff comments: Department has no biological concerns or feel that there could be any enforcement problems

Committee comments: The AC spent around 1 ½ hours discussing this proposal. Agreed with and supported department comments. As there were no boundaries set except out side Chiniak Bay the AC offered an amendment. The boundaries protect the subsistence needs of Kodiak, Port Lions, Ouizinke. There was also concern for areas on the West Side of Kodiak Island. Uyak and Uganik Bays were included because of lack of data on the strength of local stocks. With the increase of charter effort and increase in the number of lodges overharvest by the guided sports industry plus the concern for the subsistence needs of Larsen Bay caused the AC to include these areas. The KAC felt there were probably other areas near villages that could or should be included.

Amendment: Restore sport limit of rockfish to 10 per day outside of Chiniak Bay as defined by a line Cape Chiniak to Duck Cape but not to be less than 0ne(1) nautical mile off of Long Island. Uyak Bay as identified by a line from Rocky Point to Cape Kuliak. Uganik Bay defined by a line from Miners Point to Cape Uganik.

Minority Opinion: Heard about staff obtaining more data would wait to see the new data before increasing the bag limit.

Ground fish proposals

BOF-Proposal-#369- Implement a management plan for open-access weathervane scallop fishery in waters of Alaska.

Support-support 13-oppose 0.

Staff comments: Department proposal.

Committee comments: After listening to the departments presentation the AC support the plan as outlined by staff.

BOF Proposal #43- Create a state waters ground fish management plan for vessels less than 58ft in the Cook Inlet, Kodiak and Chignik Management Areas.

Oppose-support 1-oppose 10-abstained 1.

Staff comments: Opposed. The department supports closure of state waters included in this proposal to non-pelagic trawl gear to protect near shore habitat and fishery resources. **Committee Comments:** Support staff comments. The AC is always in favor of creating new

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State waters fisheries but not this one.

Minority opinion; Was in favor of a state waters fishery but feel this proposal is the wrong tool to do it.

BOF Proposal #44- Create state waters walleye Pollock management plans for Cook Inlet, Kodiak and the Chignik Management Areas.

Support(as amended)-support 9-oppose 2-abstained 1.

Staff comments: Opposed to non-pelagic trawls in state waters due to by batch issues. Who would pay for the observer program??? The department would need additional funding to implement these new fisheries.

Committee comments: Agree with and support the departments comments. The KAC is against creating a state waters fishery for trawl vessels at this time. Would like to give some support to our small boat jig fleet by creating a pollock jig fishery. Mr. Holm offered an amendment to this effect.

Amendment: To table all aspects of this proposal but would like the BOF to provide access to pollock within state waters for the jig fleet without MRA.

Minority opinion: None given.

Abstentions: ???.

BOF_Proposal #45- Require 100% observer coverage on ground fish trawl vessels in state waters of Cook Inlet, Kodiak and Chignik Management Areas.

Oppose-support 1-oppose 10-abstained 1.

Staff comments: Support the collection of fishery data. BOF would have decide who provided the coverage. Would result in additional costs to the public to participate. Observers could cost up to \$450 a day if the vessel was required to pay for it.

(Proposal #45-continued)

Committee comments: Agree with staff comments. Committee members believed this proposal would place an unfair burden on the trawl fleet as they have to cross back and forth across lines from Federal to state areas waters. The observer program is evolving and the trawl fleet is under increased scrutiny and pressure to avoid by catch we feel they're doing their best at this time.

Minority Opinion: Ms. Peterson supported increased observer coverage in high volume fisheries to provide data to accurately mange catch and by catch in state waters trawl fisheries. Council is currently discussing a new observer program which could be 100% coverage.

BOF Proposal #101- Close Alitak Bay to trawl and pot gear and subsistence for crab. **Oppose-support 0-oppose 11.**

Staff comments: neutral on the allocation issues but opposed to reduced subsistence opportunity. Additional research and monitoring would be necessary to determine if reduced by catch from pot and trawl vessels or other environmental factors influence crab abundance in Alitak Bay. Closure would only affect inside 3 miles approximately ¹/₂ of the crab stocks reside outside 3 miles.

Committee comments: Support staff comments. This bay provides economic opportunity for pot crab and cod fishermen the trawl fleet as well as subsistence for local residents and other Kodiak Island residents. Crab stocks fluctuate over time there could well be enough recruitment to open a fishery before the seven year closure of the bay expired. Many committee members

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were concerned that the non harvest of the Pollock stocks could result in increased predation on juvenile crab and salmon fry thus further reducing the opportunity for the crab stocks to recover. **BOF Proposal #102-** Prohibit non-pelagic trawling in state waters of the Kodiak Management Area.

Oppose-support 3-oppose 7-abstained 1.

Staff comments: Neutral on allocation. Department doesn't have any specific data on impacts to crab stocks in this area.

Committee comments: There is a limited amount of trawl effort in this area. No by catch data available to base a closure on. The crab populations in adjacent areas that have been closed for 25 years haven't shown any recovery of the crab stocks. Something else beside trawling must be driving the population declines. Closing this limited trawl area won't bring back the crab stocks. **Minority opinion:** Mr. Fields and Ms. Peterson felt that there wasn't much economic dependence on trawling in the area. Concerns over habitat and tanner crab populations warrant a closure to trawling.

Written by: KAC Secretary Don Fox



Seldovia Fish & Game Advisory Committee meeting minutes of November 7, 2013

Meeting began at the Multi-Purpose room at 7:05 pm.

Members Present: Robert Purpura, Buck Brown, Dave Chartier, Matt Gallien, Keith Gain, Alvin Swick, Walt Sonen, Kelly Brennan, Allison Miller

Members Absent Excused: Bryan Chartier, Michael Opheim, Layla Pedersen, Mary Klinger

Public Present: Jordan Cameron, Keith Swick, John Viksiva, Jeane Merchant

Elections were held with the following results: Warren Brown and Keith Swick as one year alternates, and Keith Gain, Mary Klinger and Jordan Cameron as three year members.

Jason Herreman provided a report on wildlife populations and harvest records to date.

Sherry Wright provided a report on the Joint Board meeting.

BOG Interior Region proposal discussion

#	Action Requested	AC Vote to Support or Oppose, any amendments and committee discussion
130	085.045 (13) Re-authorize the antlerless moose season in a portion of Unit 15(C).	8 – 0 Support Department is interested in some targeted area hunting, due to increased road kill of moose.
175	Defines which ACs will have jurisdiction on the antlerless moose reauthorizations.	Will discuss at another meeting.

Carol Kerkvliet provided a report on the stocking program.

BOF Lower Cook Inlet proposal discussion

#	Action Requested	AC Vote to Support or Oppose, any amendments and
		committee discussion
43	PROPOSAL XX - 5 AAC 28.36X. Cook Inlet Area	0 – 8 Oppose
	State-Waters Groundfish Trawl Management Plan; 5	Can't support any kind of trawling in state waters.
	AAC 28.46X. Kodiak Area State-Waters Groundfish	
	Trawl Management Plan; and 5 AAC	
	28.53X. Chignik Area State-Waters Groundfish	
	Trawl Management Plan. Create state-waters	
	groundfish management plans for trawl vessels less than	
	58 feet in the Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik	
	management areas. (This proposal will be considered at	
	the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish	
	meetings.)	



44	5 AAC 28.36X. Cook Inlet Area Pollock Management Plan; 5 AAC 28.46X. Kodiak Area Pollock Management Plan; and 5 AAC 28.53X. Chignik Area Pollock Management Plan. Create state-waters walleye pollock management plans for Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik management areas. (<i>This proposal will be</i> <i>considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak</i> <i>Finfish meetings.</i>)	1 – 7 Oppose Support a Pollock fishery and would like to see a removal of Pollock in order to regain shrimp and crab populations. Mid- water Pollock fisheries are often prosecuted along the bottom. Would still like to see a plan. Trawling is not something they could support.
45	5 AAC 28.4XX. New Section; 5 AAC 28.5XX. New Section; and 5 AAC 28.5XX. New Section. Require 100 percent observer coverage on groundfish trawl vessels in state-waters of the Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik management areas. (<i>This proposal will be</i> <i>considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak</i> <i>Finfish meetings.</i>)	8 – 0 Support In the federal trawl season, vessels can still go within three miles and under federal law, they are only required to have % coverage. If they go into state waters, we would support 100% observer coverage.
46	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow party fishing in Cook Inlet saltwater sport fisheries.	0-8 Oppose This used to be legal, then illegal and now a request to make legal again. This was so abused by deck hands to ensure people got their limits, that is why it was made illegal. If it was specific only to small children there would be some support. All others get their own.,
48	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Designate all waters where catch-and- release fishing occurs on salmon as single, unbaited, barbless-hook waters. (<i>This proposal will be considered</i> <i>at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	7-1 Support If this can lower the mortality rate of people playing with the fish, it will benefit. Other states have barbless areas for catch and release fisheries. If the amount of time it takes to release a fish is a factor in mortality, it makes sense that a barbless hook is a better method. When an area has been designated as a catch and release area, there is a mortality related to the plague upon those fish. Areas have already been declared a problem, which is often why they become catch and release. Opposing view heard from the biologist that it doesn't make that significant difference and had several years of experience, agrees that the placement of the hook is the main mortality. Sport fishing hooks are pretty small compared to the commercial hooks.
54	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit sport fishing in major spawning areas where spawning fish are present in Cook Inlet salmon waters. (<i>This proposal will</i> be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	8-0 Support Seems like the only way from hooking fish and filleting them out is to close specific areas of the river. Witnessed video of people on Willow Creek using trout gear and hooking the kings over and over, dragging them out on the beach and releasing them. They were having a good old time and figured since they had trout gear on their poles they were good. This is just wrong.



55	5 AAC 56.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Kenai Peninsula Area; 5 AAC 57.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Kenai River Drainage Area; 5 AAC 58.024. Harvest record required; annual limits; 5 AAC 59.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Anchorage Bowl Drainages Area; 5 AAC 60.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Knik Arm Drainages Area; 5 AAC 61.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Susitna River Drainage Area; and 5 AAC 62.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Susitna River Drainage Area; and 5 AAC 62.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the West Cook Inlet Area. Decrease Cook Inlet king salmon annual limit to two king salmon 20 inches or greater in length, of which only one can be from the Kenai River. (<i>This proposal will be considered</i> <i>at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	0- 6-2 Oppose This proposal is unclear if they intend to include the winter fishery and for that reason oppose. This is a mixed stock fishery.
56	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Decrease the Cook Inlet saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one king salmon and reduce the annual limit to two king salmon. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	0-6-2 Oppose Same reasons as Proposal 55, two fish if pretty restrictive.
57	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Limit amount of sport-caught fish that may be exported to 100 pounds of fillets. (<i>This</i> proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	1-7 Oppose This has come up before at Seldovia AC meetings. They are concerned with the amount of fish that seems to be shipped out of the state. The question of what about halibut came up. What does a person do with the remainder of the fish. If a person catches the fish, they should be able to keep it. Observance at the airport of many people that would travel to Alaska annually and return (financing their trip by the amount of fish they caught). Also people have observed so many people leaving at the airport with the biggest coolers and almost everyone at the airport carrying the same. It should be regulated from the how much you can catch end, not how much you can take out.
63	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow use of sport- caught pink and chum salmon for bait in the salt waters of Cook Inlet.	7-1 Support The fishery doesn't need any more pressure. It would come out of their catch of the day.
65	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow use of sport- caught spiny dogfish shark for bait in the salt waters of Cook Inlet.	8-0 Support Would like thin them out any way possible.
71	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.060. Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan. Decrease the Lower Cook Inlet winter saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one fish, and establish an annual limit of two king salmon.	0-8 Oppose There is no justification for this. There are very few fish caught during the winter fishery.
73	5 AAC 77.545. Kachemak Bay Personal Use Dip Net Fishery Management Plan. Require personal use- caught salmon in the China Poot dip net fishery to be marked.	7-0-1 Support This is to align this fishery with the other dipnet fishery regulations. There will still not be a permit required. In the spirit of making the regulations consistent it would be good for



		them all to be the same. There have been compliants about a free for all there. There are skiff loads of fish going out of there and no enforcement.
74	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Decrease lingcod bag and possession limit in Cook Inlet from two to one.	6-2 Support The charter industry may have a better idea of what is going on in the fishery as they are out there daily. 20 years ago nobody was catching ling cod in this area. Seems like their populations have increased in this area. If the limit is still 36 inches, would tend to believe there are still lots of little fish on their way. Having fished ling cods, there are always so many of them. Consideration that the Homer charter fleet is catering to their customers and if they are asking to self-police, they may have good reason. Prefer to be proactive.
76	5 AAC 01.560. Fishing seasons and daily fishing periods. Clarify open periods for subsistence salmon fishing in August in Seldovia Bay.	8 - 0 Support This will clarify which days are open for subsistence fish. This is housekeeping.
79	5 AAC 21.350. Closed waters. Close waters to commercial fishing within one statute mile of the terminus of any anadromous fish stream in Cook Inlet as measured from mean lower low tide, not mean high tide. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	0-8 Oppose This is an anti-commercial fishing proposal.
80	5 AAC 21.350. Closed waters. Amend waters closed to commercial fishing in Lower Cook Inlet.	Tabled at the meeting for Robert to obtain further information. Robert spoke to Glenn Hollowell, relayed his information to the members and we are all in agreement of support for Proposal 80. This is the fourth time that we discussed this issue. They are just trying to clarify where these boundaries are. They started with visible markers, then went to GPS long/lats. Each time they changed the way they marked the fishery, the fishery moved. The regulatory marker disintegrates and a variety of things. People assumed things were going to be business as usual but they weren't. The committee would like to get more information on this. Did anyone put boots on the ground to see where those coordinates actually are? Tabled to get more information and will poll the committee.
81	5 AAC 21.331. Gillnet specifications and operations; 5 AAC 21.332. Seine specifications and operations; and 5 AAC 27.410. Fishing seasons for Cook Inlet Area. Establish various management measures to address decline in returning king salmon to Cook Inlet, including requiring net gear be certified as avoiding king salmon interception and closing commercial herring fisheries. (<i>The finfish aspects of this proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet meetings</i> . <i>The king and Tanner crab aspects of this proposal will be considered during the Statewide king and Tanner Crab meeting</i> .)	0-8 Oppose There is no such thing as a certifiable set net gear that avoids king salmon. This is another anti-commercial fishing proposal.



82	5 AAC 21.XXX. Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Create a management plan for Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA) and describe the location of the Tutka Bay Lagoon, Paint River, and Halibut Cove Lagoon SHAs.	8 – 0 Support Support the hatchery's cost recovery prioritization. This is similar to how they operate PWS. Believe the Cook Inlet Aquaculture puts a lot of thought into their work.
83	5 AAC 21.377. Port Graham Salmon Hatchery	8 – 0 Support
	Management Plan. Modify management plan for Port Graham Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA) and describe the location of the SHA.	Same comments as Proposal 82.
84	5 AAC 21.373. Trail Lakes Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Create a management plan for Trail	8 – 0 Support Same comments as Proposal 82.
	Lakes Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA); describe the	
	location of the Bear Lake, China Poot and Hazel Lake,	
	Tutka Bay Lagoon, and Kirchner Lake SHAs; and define fishing seasons within the SHAs.	
87	5 AAC 28.371. Landing requirements for Cook Inlet	Kelly Brennan had to leave
	Area. Modify offloading requirements for groundfish.	7 – 0 Support
		This gives you some leeway so if a processor is unable to take care of everyone within 24 hours. This eliminates the need to ask for that exemption.

Next meeting will be Thursday, November 12th at 6 pm at the Multi-purpose room to finalize LCI proposals (Prop 81), determine if a representative will be attending the BOF LCI meeting in Anchorage and begin discussion of UCI BOF proposals.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm.



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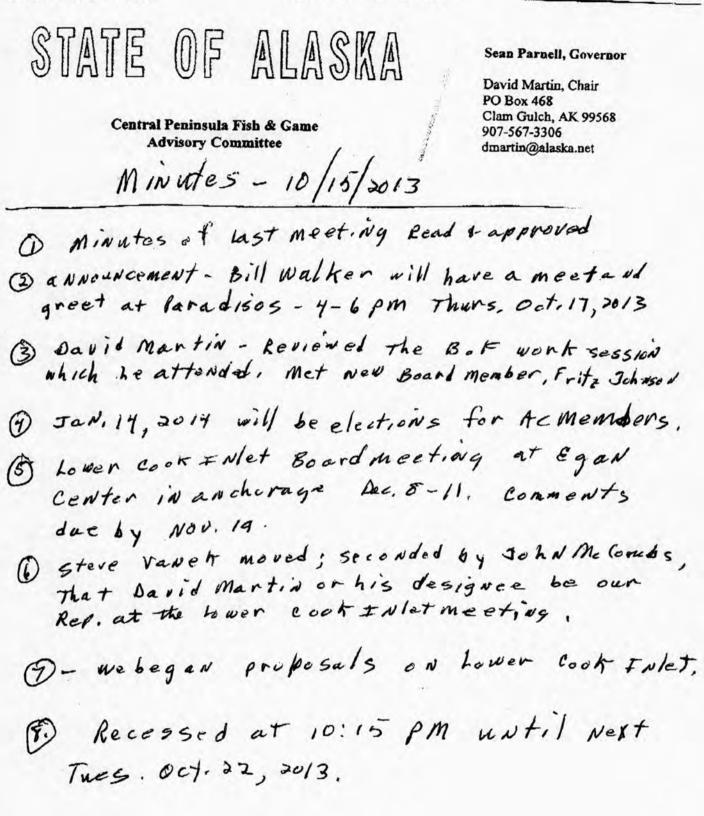
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Failed 10-0	passed 10-0 #f trailing is allowed #there should be 100% observer coverage		Failed - 10- A Since it is only for those areaswe oppose, Shoul be statewide	AC Support or Oppose and comments



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5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Intet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Eliminate the third Saturday in August (late-run coho) from the youth-only fishery in the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.060. Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan. Decrease the Lower Cook Inlet winter saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one fish, and establish an annual limit of two king salmon,	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.060. Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan. Modify the date king salmon apply to the annual limit in the Lower Cook Inlet winter saltwater king salmon fishery from April 1 to May 1,	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.055. Upper Cook Inlet Salt Water Early-run King Salmon Management Plan. Modify the Upper Cook Inlet saltwater early-run king salmon season to end on June 24 instead of June 30,	size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.055. Upper Cook Inlet Salt Water Early-run King Salmon Management Plan. Relocate the Bluff Point marker north to the southern Anchor River marker for management of Cook Inlet king salmon sport fishery,		
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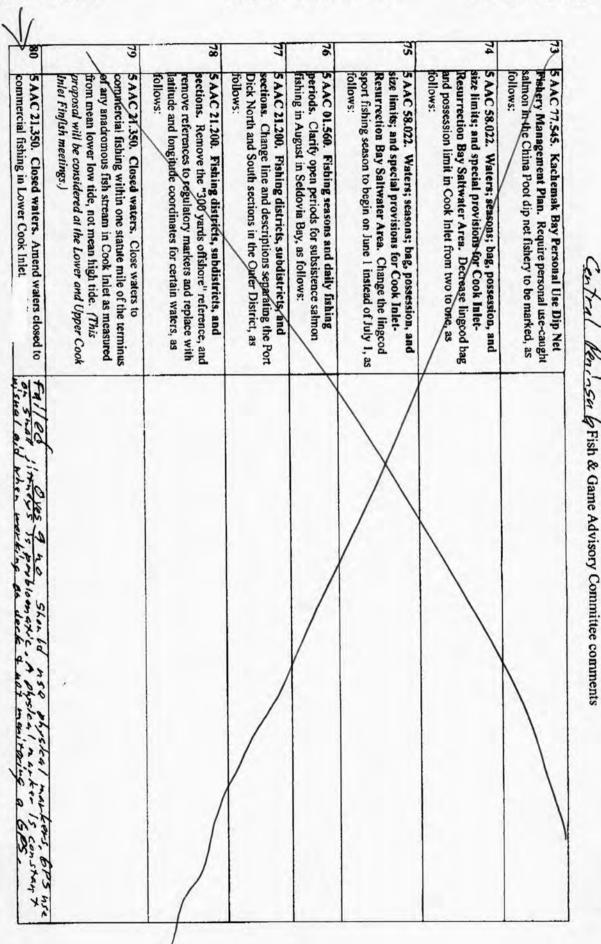
	79	78	3	76	75	4	3
li li	5 AAC 21.350. Closed waters. Close waters to commercial fishing within one statute mile of the terminus of any anadromous fish stream in Cook Inlet as measured from mean lower low tide, not mean high tide. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	5 AAC 21.200. Fisbing districts, subdistricts, and sections. Remove the "300 yards offshore" reference, and remove references to regulatory markers and replace with latitude and longitude coordinates for certain waters,	5 AAC 21.200. Fishing districts, subdistricts, and sections. Change line and descriptions separating the Port Dick North and South sections in the Outer District,	5 AAC 01.560. Fishing seasons and daily fishing periods. Clarify open periods for subsistence salmon fishing in August in Seldovia Bay, as follows:	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Change the lingcod sport fishing season to begin on June 1 instead of July 1,	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Decrease lingcod bag and possession limit in Cook Inlet from two to one,	5 AAC 77.545. Kachemak Bay Personal Use Dip Net Fishery Management Plan. Require personal use-caught salmon in the China Poot dip net fishery to be marked,
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5 AAC 21.373. Trail Lakes Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Create a management plan for Trail Lakes Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA); describe the location of the Bear Lake, China Poot and Hazel Lake, Tutka Bay Lagoon, and Kirchner Lake SHAs; and define fishing seasons within the SHAs,	5 AAC 21.377. Port Grabam Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Modify management plan for Port Graham Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA) and describe the location of the SHA,	5 AAC 21.XXX. Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Create a management plan for Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA) and describe the location of the Tutka Bay Lagoon, Paint River, and Halibut Cove Lagoon SHAs, <i>i</i>	SAAC 21.331. Gillnet specifications and operations; 5 AAC 21.332. Seine specifications and operations; and 5 AAC 27.410. Fishing seasons for Cook Inlet Area. Establish various management measures to address decline in returning king salmon to Cook Inlet, including requiring net gear be certified as avoiding king salmon interception and closing commercial herring fisheries. (<i>The finfish</i> <i>aspects of this proposal will be considered at the Lower and</i> <i>Upper Cook Inlet meetings. The king and Tanner crab</i> <i>aspects of this proposal will be considered during the</i> <i>Statewide king and Tanner Crab meeting.</i>)	Alaska Board of Fis
Poared 9-0 See # 82	passed q-0 see H82	passed - 9-0 Harv	Failed 9-0 This proposal does not address king salmon problems in River such as how thand release, fishing in Spewains beds, sonting through tings to get the Langest. King salmon decline problems are how in the salmon decline problems are by in River management. What about sockeye starvation in Lokes caused by overescappendent?	Alaska Board of Fisheries Lower Cook Inlet meeting December 8 – 11, 2013

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85 87 98 5 AAC 28.371. Landing requirements for Cook Inlet 5 AAC 28.332. Groundfish pot storage requirements 5 AAC 21.376. Resurrection Bay Salmon Management Area. Modify offloading requirements for groundfish Plan and SAAC 56.122. Special provisions and for Cook Inlet. Modify Cook Inlet groundfish pot storage broodstock goal is met localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, requirements, Resurrection River until the Bear Lake sockeye salmon he Kenai Peninsula Area. Prohibit sport fishing in possession, and size limits, and methods and means for WAT AN sockeye freduction doesn't pro Elshary was has hot Fish & Game Advisory Committee comments 20 4a. 55 e0 20 NO lity for CTAA to raise coho action action F+G been Inglemented 0 net in the normal escapement of 10,000 rish 1 personnel a variable 0 Not enou gh ACA A 00 . 22 . Pord hataral Smalk for their egg take goal in the past let ments discons 22A desnit Gr the Ch Agnica Hore IN tor mation 4/50 then the program Xhon get eggs of cost. Association has not ieca. and the within 20 R

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The Homer Fish & Game Advisory Committee met on October 8th for the purpose of discussing BOF LCI proposals. They also met on November 12th and took up Prop 74.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

Members Present: Michael Craig, David Bayes, Tom Hagberg, Dave Lyon, Lee Martin, George Matz, Marvin Peters, Gary Sinnhuber, Dennis Wade, Jim Meesis, Gus Van Dyke. Members Not Present: Ty Gates, Joey Allred, Pete Wedin, Tom Young Public Present: Beaver Nelson, Malcolm Milne Agency Staff Present: Jason Herremen (ADF&G), Roger MacCambell (Div. of Parks)

The committee approved Dave Lyon to attend the BOF LCI meeting as their representative.

#	Action Requested	AC Support or Oppose and comments
43	PROPOSAL XX - 5 AAC 28.36X. Cook Inlet Area State-Waters Groundfish Trawl Management Plan; 5 AAC 28.46X. Kodiak Area State-Waters Groundfish Trawl Management Plan; and 5 AAC 28.53X. Chignik Area State-Waters Groundfish Trawl Management Plan. Create state-waters groundfish management plans for trawl vessels less than 58 feet in the Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik management areas. (This proposal will be considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish meetings.)	Support – 0, Opposed – 11 This is taking money from other fisheries and giving it to a new fishery. Moved by Lee, seconded by Michael
44	5 AAC 28.36X. Cook Inlet Area Pollock Management Plan; 5 AAC 28.46X. Kodiak Area Pollock Management Plan; and 5 AAC 28.53X. Chignik Area Pollock Management Plan. Create state-waters walleye pollock management plans for Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik management areas. (This proposal will be considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish meetings.)	Support – 0, Opposed – 11 This is taking money from other fisheries and giving it to a new fishery. Moved by Michael, seconded by Thomas.
46	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow party fishing in Cook Inlet saltwater sport fisheries, as follows:	Support -1, Opposed – 7, Abstain -2. This amounts to creating a loophole that is not fair to fishermen who play by the rules. Moved by Michael, seconded by Thomas



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47	5 AAC 56.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area; 5 AAC 57.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai River Drainage Area; 5 AAC 59.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Anchorage Bowl Drainages Area; 5 AAC 60.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Anchorage Bowl Drainages Area; 5 AAC 60.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm Drainages Area; 5 AAC 61.110. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Susitna River Drainage Area; and 5 AAC 62.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the West Cook Inlet Area. Prohibit use of barbed hooks while sport fishing for salmon in Cook Inlet fresh waters. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet</i> <i>Finfish meetings.</i>)	Support – 0, Opposed – 9, Abstain -2. Poorly written and poor use of data. Need better science. Moved by Michael, Seconded by Thomas.
48	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Designate all waters where catch-and- release fishing occurs on salmon as single, unbaited, barbless-hook waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	Support - 0, Opposed – 10, Abstain - 1 Poorly written and questionable interpretation of data. Moved by Michael and seconded by Thomas.
49	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Establish criteria to designate waters in Cook Inlet as single, unbaited, barbless hooks waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	Support – 1, Opposed – 9 Support -1, Opposed – 9 Moved by Michael ans seconded by Thomas.
50	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit catch-and- release fishing for coho salmon in all Cook Inlet fresh waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	Support – 6, Opposed – 1, Abstain – 4 We think the mortality data is not correct, but support the concept. Moved by Michael and seconded by Thomas.
51	5 AAC 58.030. Methods, means, and general provisions – Finfish. Prohibit catch-and-release fishing for coho salmon in the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area, as follows:	Support – 0, Opposed – 10, Abstain -1 No one does this. Moved by Michael and seconded by Thomas.



52	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit catch-and- release fishing for salmon in all Cook Inlet fresh waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	Amendment by Michael and seconded by Thomas Including steelhead which are in same genus as our other five species of salmon. Support – 9, Opposed -2 Amended proposal Support – 6, Opposed – 4. Abstain -1
53	5 AAC 56.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Prohibit anglers who are releasing a fish from removing the head of a fish out of the water. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	Support – 10, Abstain -1
54	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit sport fishing in major spawning areas where spawning fish are present in Cook Inlet salmon waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	Support -2, Opposed – 2. Abstain – 7 The proposal is not specific enough as to what is a major spawning area. Abstain votes wanted more specific details. Moved by Marvin and seconded by Thomas
55	5 AAC 56.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Kenai Peninsula Area; 5 AAC 57.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Kenai River Drainage Area; 5 AAC 58.024. Harvest record required; annual limits; 5 AAC 59.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Anchorage Bowl Drainages Area; 5 AAC 60.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Knik Arm Drainages Area; 5 AAC 61.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Knik Arm Drainages Area; 5 AAC 61.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Susitna River Drainage Area; and 5 AAC 62.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the West Cook Inlet Area. Decrease Cook Inlet king salmon annual limit to two king salmon 20 inches or greater in length, of which only one can be from the Kenai River. (<i>This proposal will be considered</i> <i>at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	Support – 0, Opposed – 10, Abstain -1 Too restrictive and would not allow winter king fishery. Moved by Michael
56	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Decrease the Cook Inlet saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one king salmon and reduce the annual limit to two king salmon. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	Support – 0, Opposed – 10, Abstain -1 Too restrictive and would not allow winter king fishery. Moved by Michael
58	5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Close Anchor River to sport fishing on Wednesdays, as follows:	Support – 10, Opposed – 0, Abstain -1. Moved by Marvin and seconded by Michael



59	5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Delay reopening Anchor River, Deep Creek, and Stariski Creek to sport fishing by two weeks, as follows:	Support – 3, Opposed – 6, Abstain – 2 ADF&G can use EO's to accomplish the same thing. We favor solution #1. Moved by Gary and seconded by Michael
60	5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Modify sport fishing season to allow fishing during November and December on Lower Cook Inlet streams, as follows:	Support – 0, Opposed – 11 Moved by Marvin and seconded by Michael
61	5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Reduce king salmon bag and possession limit to one fish on the Ninilichik River, as follows:	Support – 11, Opposed -0 Moved by Michael and seconded by Marvin
63	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow use of sport- caught pink and chum salmon for bait in the salt waters of Cook Inlet, as follows:	Support – 9, Opposed – 0, Abstain -3 Moved by Michael and seconded by Thomas
65	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow use of sport- caught spiny dogfish shark for bait in the salt waters of Cook Inlet, as follows:	Support – 10, Abstain -1 Moved by Michael and seconded by David
66	5 AAC 58.030. Methods, means, and general provisions – Finfish. Allow use of archery gear for sport fishing in Cook Inlet salt waters, as follows:	Support – 10, Opposed – 0 Moved by Dave and seconded by Dennis
67	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.055. Upper Cook Inlet Salt Water Early-run King Salmon Management Plan. Relocate the Bluff Point marker north to the southern Anchor River marker for management of Upper Cook Inlet saltwater early-run king salmon sport fishery, as follows:	Correction needed for proposal Delete: Relocate the Bluff Point marker north to the southern Anchor River marker for management of Upper Cook Inlet saltwater early-run king salmon sport fishery, as follows: Support – 11, Opposes – 0 Moved by Michael and seconded by Dennis
68	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.055. Upper Cook Inlet Salt Water Early-run King Salmon Management Plan. Relocate the Bluff Point marker north to the southern Anchor River marker for management of Cook Inlet king salmon sport fishery, as follows:	Support – 0, Opposed – 10 Not recommended Moved by Thomas and seconded by Michael
70	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.060. Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan. Modify the date king salmon apply to the annual limit in the Lower Cook Inlet winter saltwater king salmon fishery from April 1 to May 1, as follows:	Support – 0, Opposed – 11 This would allow fishing for kings when spawninf kings are in the vicinity.

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71	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.060. Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan. Decrease the Lower Cook Inlet winter saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one fish, and establish an annual limit of two king salmon, as follows:	Support – 0, Opposed – 11 There is no correlation between winter kings and kings hat return to spawn in the area. Moved by Marvin and seconded by Michael
72	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Eliminate the third Saturday in August (late-run coho) from the youth-only fishery in the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon, as follows:	Support 10, Opposed – 0, Abstain – 1 Moved by Michael and seconded by Dennis
73	5 AAC 77.545. Kachemak Bay Personal Use Dip Net Fishery Management Plan. Require personal use- caught salmon in the China Poot dip net fishery to be marked, as follows:	Support – 11, Opposition – 0 Moved by Michael and seconded by Lee
74	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Decrease lingcod bag and possession limit in Cook Inlet from two to one, as follows:	 Support 3 - Oppose 6 - Abstain 1 Exploitation of lingcod currently considered low by ADFG Habitat and Age distribution considered healthy Said that ADFG would oppose this proposition based upon decreased angler access to the resource.
75	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Change the lingcod sport fishing season to begin on June 1 instead of July 1, as follows:	Support – 0, Opposed – 10 Moved by Michael and seconded by David
77	5 AAC 21.200. Fishing districts, subdistricts, and sections. Change line and descriptions separating the Port Dick North and South sections in the Outer District, as follows:	Support – 11, Opposed – 0 Logical change. Moved by Michael and seconded by Lee
78	5 AAC 21.200. Fishing districts, subdistricts, and sections. Remove the "300 yards offshore" reference, and remove references to regulatory markers and replace with latitude and longitude coordinates for certain waters, as follows:	Support – 11, Opposed – 0 Moved by Dave and seconded by Dennis
82	5 AAC 21.XXX. Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Create a management plan for Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA) and describe the location of the Tutka Bay Lagoon, Paint River, and Halibut Cove Lagoon SHAs, as follows:	Amendment by Thomas to delete #3 relating to Halibut Cove Lagoon Support 10, Opposed – 0. On amended proposal Support – 9, Abstain – 1.



Meeting began at 7 pm at the Cooper Landing community building on Bean Creek Road.

Members Present: George Heim, Kyle Kolodziejski, John Pearson, Gerald Neis, William Shuster

Members Absent Excused: Ed Holsten, Robert Gibson, Mike Adams, Dr James Givens (resigned)

Members Absent Unexcused: Billy Coulliette, Erick Fish

Elections were held with the following results: Robert Gibson, Bill Shuster and Alex Kime were elected to serve three year member seats. Mike Adams was moved to serve as an Alternate.

Lower Cook Inlet BOF proposal comments

#	Action Requested	AC Vote to Support or Oppose, any amendments and committee discussion
43	PROPOSAL XX - 5 AAC 28.36X. Cook Inlet Area State-Waters Groundfish Trawl Management Plan; 5 AAC 28.46X. Kodiak Area State-Waters Groundfish Trawl Management Plan; and 5 AAC 28.53X. Chignik Area State-Waters Groundfish Trawl Management Plan. Create state-waters groundfish management plans for trawl vessels less than 58 feet in the Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik management areas. (This proposal will be considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish meetings.)	0-6 Oppose Concern of king by-catch was expressed. Would a trawl fishery be sustainable in Cook Inlet? This would be another impact on halibut – we have recently heard discussion of limiting halibut harvest to one per person. Whatever comes up out of that net comes up dead.
44	5 AAC 28.36X. Cook Inlet Area Pollock Management Plan; 5 AAC 28.46X. Kodiak Area Pollock Management Plan; and 5 AAC 28.53X. Chignik Area Pollock Management Plan. Create state-waters walleye pollock management plans for Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik management areas. (This proposal will be considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish meetings.)	0-6 Oppose Same comments as Proposal 43 BOARDS ANCHORAGE
45	5 AAC 28.4XX. New Section; 5 AAC 28.5XX. New Section; and 5 AAC 28.5XX. New Section. Require 100 percent observer coverage on groundfish trawl vessels in state-waters of the Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik management areas. (<i>This proposal will be</i> <i>considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and</i> <i>Kodiak Finfish meetings.</i>)	6-0 The committee opposed trawling fishing in Cook Inlet, but if there was such a fishery, it should have 100% observance coverage.
46	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow party fishing in Cook Inlet saltwater sport fisheries.	5-1 Support Little kids need help hooking their fish. It is already abused to a certain extent. Some of the senior citizens also get exhausted very quickly. Doesn't believe it is going to impact the overall fishery. The guided vessels are getting hammered on and the non-guided vessels are also doing this. The sooner people get their fish, the sooner they can move off the good spots. One member stated the only way he can fish is by proxy and you can't harvest halibut by proxy. There should be some age for

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		children (a person could bring an infant on a boat in order to get two more fish). Someone would also have to be watching the infant rather than fishing.
47	5 AAC 56.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area; 5 AAC 57.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai River Drainage Area; 5 AAC 59.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Anchorage Bowl Drainages Area; 5 AAC 60.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Anchorage Bowl Drainages Area; 5 AAC 60.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm Drainages Area; 5 AAC 61.110. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Susitna River Drainage Area; and 5 AAC 62.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the West Cook Inlet Area. Prohibit use of barbed hooks while sport fishing for salmon in Cook Inlet fresh waters. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	0-6 Oppose This is crazy. If the issue is mortality, barbless or not there is no difference. Would be tempted to amend to pertain only to rainbow trout, which this committee has proposed in the past. If you are going to catch and release (not many people do that) they should use barbless hooks to allow easier release. This is too broad in where they are trying to apply this regulation.
48	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Designate all waters where catch-and- release fishing occurs on salmon as single, unbaited, barbless-hook waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0-6 Oppose This is also too broad. Doesn't believe 95,000 kings were caught and released in Cook Inlet and don't know where those numbers came from.
49	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Establish criteria to designate waters in Cook Inlet as single, unbaited, barbless hooks waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	Same comments as Proposal 48.
50	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit catch-and-release fishing for coho salmon in all Cook Inlet fresh waters. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	Final vote on amended proposal 0-6 Opposed AMENDMENT: applied to the lower portion of the stream only Vote on the amendment $-5 - 1$ The mortality decreases the further upstream the fish go. The fish are more vulnerable when they first enter the system. If this was applied to the lower 10-20 mile portions of the streams it would make more sense. The sockeye season is worse than this of people hammering the fish. There needs to be some ability to catch and release for fish that are getting spawned out. If people can only catch two fish, as soon as they get their 2 nd fish, they move off the area, allowing others to fish. Would support lower 20 miles on the Kenai (it will vary depending on the river system). There's more information needed for where to apply this and would look to the manager's to determine that.

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		The issue is too complicated.
51	5 AAC 58.030. Methods, means, and general provisions – Finfish. Prohibit catch-and-release fishing for coho salmon in the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area.	0-6 Oppose Don't know of a study that establishes mortality of salt water catch and release fishing. Would tend to believe it would be a lower number. There is such a high predator/prey in the salt water, if you put an exhausted fish back in the water, they are more likely to become food for another fish. Silver salmon derby is another point – how would they continue doing that? If they are hatchery fish, they don't really have a problem.
52	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit catch-and-release fishing for salmon in all Cook Inlet fresh waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	Same comment as Proposal 50
53	5 AAC 56.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Prohibit anglers who are releasing a fish from removing the head of a fish out of the water. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	1-5 Oppose This committee submitted a similar proposal for rainbow trout that was not approved. Practicality doesn't work. Don't want to see people get ticketed when they are trying to do the right thing to release a fish. Discussion about the mortality if the head doesn't come out of the water. People that regularly fish are better at releasing and more organized for those picture opportunities – the weekend warriors are the ones that create a problem. Planning is important.
54	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit sport fishing in major spawning areas where spawning fish are present in Cook Inlet salmon waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0-6 Oppose That would be the entire Russian River and almost all of the Upper Kenai.
55	5 AAC 56.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Kenai Peninsula Area; 5 AAC 57.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Kenai River Drainage Area; 5 AAC 58.024. Harvest record required; annual limits; 5 AAC 59.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Anchorage Bowl Drainages Area; 5 AAC 60.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Knik Arm Drainages Area; 5 AAC 61.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Knik Arm Drainages Area; 5 AAC 61.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the Susitna River Drainage Area; and 5 AAC 62.124. Harvest record required; annual limits for the West Cook Inlet Area. Decrease Cook Inlet king salmon annual limit to two king salmon 20 inches or greater in length, of which only one can be from the Kenai River. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0-6 Oppose This may actually make sense. Not sure if it would hurt the guides. Those that may fish a couple of days may be hurt. Concern that this could cause an increase of catch and release fishing.



56	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Decrease the Cook Inlet saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one king salmon and reduce the annual limit to two king salmon. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0-6 Oppose This proposal asks that a king not be removed at all from salt water, which would be impossible to release.
57	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Limit amount of sport-caught fish that may be exported to 100 pounds of fillets. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0-6 Opposed What if you are a family of seven. This is too limiting.
71	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.060. Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan. Decrease the Lower Cook Inlet winter saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one fish, and establish an annual limit of two king salmon.	This makes no sense.
75	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Change the lingcod sport fishing season to begin on June 1 instead of July 1.	0-1-5 Oppose Would like the opportunity to fish for lingcod while they are fishing for kings. Is there a biological reason why it is closed till July 1? Thought that was why it was closed through June. Don't support pending halibut harvest bag limit that may be reduced and lingcod will get pounded if that happens.
79	5 AAC 21.350. Closed waters. Close waters to commercial fishing within one statute mile of the terminus of any anadromous fish stream in Cook Inlet as measured from mean lower low tide, not mean high tide. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	3-0-3 Support During low tide there would only be a couple of water flows sufficient to allow fish, so they could easily be corked.
81	5 AAC 21.331. Gillnet specifications and operations; 5 AAC 21.332. Seine specifications and operations; and 5 AAC 27.410. Fishing seasons for Cook Inlet Area. Establish various management measures to address decline in returning king salmon to Cook Inlet, including requiring net gear be certified as avoiding king salmon interception and closing commercial herring fisheries. (The finfish aspects of this proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet meetings. The king and Tanner crab aspects of this proposal will be considered during the Statewide king and Tanner Crab meeting.)	This is complicated. There are some really good ideas and generally there is a concern of the king salmon stocks.

84	5 AAC 21.373. Trail Lakes Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Create a management plan for Trail Lakes Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA); describe the location of the Bear Lake, China Poot and Hazel Lake, Tutka Bay Lagoon, and Kirchner Lake SHAs; and define fishing seasons within the SHAs.	This would allow a procedure for cost recovery. The committee would prefer to see some actual language of a plan so they would know what they are voting on. It would make sense to have a plan.
85	5 AAC 21.376. Resurrection Bay Salmon Management Plan and 5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Prohibit sport fishing in Resurrection River until the Bear Lake sockeye salmon broodstock goal is met.	This should be shared among all user groups, not just sport fish groups and prohibit until the broodstock goal is met, but perhaps when it is projected to be met.

Next meeting the committee will review Upper Cook Inlet BOF proposals for comments will be prepared at a meeting December 14, December 28th or January 4th at 10 am.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.



Kenai-Soldotna AC minutes from November 13, 2013

Members Present, Crawford, Roberts, Joseph, VanDevere, Carmichael, Brandt, Erkeneff, Corr, Hamrick, Dykema

Unexcused members, C.Shadura, Bucy,

Excused members, Speakman, Maher, P.Shadura

Discussion on BOF LCI proposals

PROPOSAL 45

Having more info on bycatch issues is not a bad thing. 100% observer coverage helps get the right numbers.

PROPOSAL 61

Majority felt that the proposal was appropriate

PROPOSAL 62

ADFG proposal. It is to clarify current regulations.

PROPOSAL 66

Archery fishing regulations in other areas of the country are for rough or introduced species such as carp and gar. We felt that there is no room for another method of take. Did not feel that it was an appropriate method for a sport/commercial species.

PROPOSAL 68

Majority felt that it opened up too much area when there are concerns of King returns to Cook Inlet streams.

PROPOSAL 69

Majority felt that the current regulations were appropriate. There is areas open to fish currently outside these closed areas.

PROPOSAL 70

Need more info. Are there genetic studies to show these are healthy stocks of fish? What percentage are not Cook Inlet fish.

PROPOSAL 72

While we did like to remove a youth opportunity, the fact that the fish are no longer present makes it some common sense. If the fish were to be brought back then the season should be returned.

PROPOSAL 73

ADFG proposal. We thought the proposal was already a regulation.

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PROPOSAL 75

0/8/0 Against

Majority felt that the spawning timing prevents this proposal. If studies were to show that the nest guarding was completed before July 1 then this could be brought back up.

Majority voted to allow Crawford to represent the AC at the lower Cook Inlet BOF meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

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Call meeting to order at 6:40 pm

Members Present: George Jacoby, Jim Stubbs, Kevin Taylor, Frank Neumann, Robert Peck, Jr, Joel Doner, Robert Caywood, Grant Klotz, and Mark Campbell

Members Absent Excused: Bruce Morgan, Kevin Sparrowgrove, Zach Stubbs, Vince Baldauf, Mike Priebe, Matthew Rogero, Sasha Ruesch

Public Present: Neil DeWitt

Advise Guests of Public Testimony signup sheet – no one wished to testify NOV 18 2013

Approve Agenda

Approve minutes from last meeting (Author - Kevin Sparrowgrove) tabled to next meeting.

Introduce Department Guests: Sherry Wright, Boards Support

Old Business

Approve minutes of the 2010 meetings – The committee reviewed the minutes at their meeting October 1, 2013. Moved to approve by George Jacoby 2nd by Robert Caywood. Motion approved unanimously.

New Business - Lower Cook Inlet proposal comments

#	Action Requested	AC Vote to Support or Oppose, any amendments and committee discussion
45	5 AAC 28.4XX. New Section; 5 AAC 28.5XX. New Section; and 5 AAC 28.5XX. New Section. Require 100 percent observer coverage on groundfish trawl vessels in state-waters of the Cook Inlet, Kodiak, and Chignik management areas. (This proposal will be considered at the Chignik, Lower Cook Inlet, and Kodiak Finfish meetings.)	Vote was 9 – 0 Support. The committee was concerned with conservation of king salmon.
46	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow party fishing in Cook Inlet saltwater sport fisheries.	3-6 Oppose It will create a new definition of bag limit. It blurs the line between the sport and commercial fishery. It is too broad would cover all species except halibut. If I'm going sport fishing it is for the experience of going fishing, but when I have party fishing and the kids are asleep they are not experiencing fishing while someone else reels in their fish. If this passed, they would need to change the entire other criteria that allows the limiting. This method seems to work.

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48	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Designate all waters where catch-and- release fishing occurs on salmon as single, unbaited, barbless-hook waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0 – 9 Oppose. This takes a management tool away and there is no means to achieve this. There is no study to show the difference between the 2 hooks.
49	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Establish criteria to designate waters in Cook Inlet as single, unbaited, barbless hooks waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0 - 9 Oppose There is no designated single hook water in the state at this time. Circle hook helps reduce snagging fish.
50	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit catch-and- release fishing for coho salmon in all Cook Inlet fresh waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0 – 9 Oppose. This is un-enforceable and not practical. The study done by the department was done on one river the Little Su and it was done on lower river in tidal influence it had more to do with how the fish were handled.
51	5 AAC 58.030. Methods, means, and general provisions – Finfish. Prohibit catch-and-release fishing for coho salmon in the Cook Inlet-Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area.	0- 9 Oppose Same as #50.



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53	5 AAC 56.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Prohibit anglers who are releasing a fish from removing the head of a fish out of the water. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the</i> <i>Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	2-6-1 Oppose There are fisheries that already have this in regulation and this is unenforceable. Keeping the head of a fish in the water will not affect the mortality of that fish. Can understand the abuse of fish but this will not achieve this. There was discussion of an amendment to state that if to be released the fish be prohibited to be removed from the water. If it is going to be released it should not be netted. If you're going to release it, you shouldn't be playing it out. It is almost impossible to remove the hook without taking the head out of the water. One of the main killer of the fish is the hook going down into the gut or if the hook has gone in the gills.
54	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Prohibit sport fishing in major spawning areas where spawning fish are present in Cook Inlet salmon waters. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0 – 9 Oppose. Department would have to mark and designate all of the spawning areas. This would eliminate many areas of a river for fishing. We need to be sensitive to sanctuaries for fish. The proposal should be more specific. How is "Major" spawning area defined? This is too broad. It would be better to find those spots that need protection and protect them. There are fishermen that are willing to help identify those spots. If you catch a fish that is spawning – you are on a spawning bed.



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56	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Decrease the Cook Inlet saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one king salmon and reduce the annual limit to two king salmon. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0 – 9 Oppose This again limits one user group.
57	5 AAC 56.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 57.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 58.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 59.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 60.XXX. New Section; 5 AAC 61.XXX. New Section; and 5 AAC 62.XXX. New Section. Limit amount of sport-caught fish that may be exported to 100 pounds of fillets. (This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.)	0 – 9 Oppose. It is too complicated, hard to implement and un- enforceable. This isn't the way to do what they probably intended. It could possibly be an annual limit. Once a person catches a fish it belongs to that individual to do with as they would like. People are seeing lots of tourist shipping boxes out. Concern if those are subsistence harvest, but that is enforcement's job to do enforcement. If they are doing something illegal, they should be busted for that, but if they are following the rules, they should be able to do what they would like with it. Exporting is a commerce term and is already controlled.
58	5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Close Anchor River to sport fishing on Wednesdays.	0 – 9 Oppose Once this is removed and the stocks come back, you can EO this. This would take away the opportunity. The regulation is made handle wide variation of runs.



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59	5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Delay reopening Anchor River, Deep Creek, and Stariski Creek to sport fishing by two weeks.	2 - 7 Oppose. The committee discussed using single hook with a hook size no larger than 3/8" hook gap. Opposing comments were that the numbers of kings in the river at this time are minimal to the run. The department has EO authority on this fishery if needed. The committee believes that hook restrictions would do the job and is the better solution. The committee also suggested limiting the line test size, but concern of how it would be enforced was stated. Fisherman should be able to fish for Dolly Varden using the hook restrictions and that would preserve the king fishery. Supporting comments stated if the fishery is open people will be fishing. The kings are getting pounded.
60	5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized	1
	additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Modify sport fishing season to allow fishing during November and December on Lower Cook Inlet streams.	0-9 Oppose It is better to stay conservative and closed to let the fish rest through the winter to help them survive.
61	5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Reduce king salmon bag and possession limit to one fish on the Ninilichik River.	9 - 0 Support.In a period of low returns it helps and it standardizes the regulations with other rivers in the area.
62	5 AAC 62.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the West Cook Inlet Area. Change the Clearwater Creek drainage closed-waters boundary description for sport fishing.	9 – 0 Support. This will clean up the closed area language and make it clear.
63	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow use of sport- caught pink and chum salmon for bait in the salt waters of Cook Inlet.	 9 - 0 Support It might take more chums from the inlet. You can use sport caught chum and pink in PWS, but not in Cook Inlet. There is no conservation concern. There is some concern of those who do not know how to identify between a pink and a silver.
64	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow use of sport- caught pink salmon for bait in the salt waters of Cook Inlet.	9 – 0 Support. Not a biological concern.
65	5 AAC 58.0XX. New Section. Allow use of sport- caught spiny dogfish shark for bait in the salt waters of Cook Inlet.	9 - 0 Support
-		The department reported that these are slow

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		maturing fish and it might harm the population. Support- might as well use them if they are caught. These fish come through in schools. This doesn't ask to increase the bag limit, so a person would still be limited to how many they can harvest.
66	5 AAC 58.030. Methods, means, and general provisions – Finfish. Allow use of archery gear for sport fishing in Cook Inlet salt waters.	0 - 9 OpposeThere is a safety factor involved with this and there is no way for catch and release to be used.
67	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.055. Upper Cook Inlet Salt Water Early-run King Salmon Management Plan. Relocate the Bluff Point marker north to the southern Anchor River marker for management of Upper Cook Inlet saltwater early-run king salmon sport fishery.	1-8 Oppose. This makes it a fixed marker that is more easily seen. Oppose, this shortens it ¹ / ₄ mile and it could increase the harvest of kings in the area, as it's pretty flat and seems to be a good place for kings. As June and July approach there could be kings holing up there. Perhaps they could move it south, rather than north.
68	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.055. Upper Cook Inlet Salt Water Early-run King Salmon Management Plan. Relocate the Bluff Point marker north to the southern Anchor River marker for management of Cook Inlet king salmon sport fishery.	0-8-1 Oppose. This will definitely increase the king harvest and it moves the marker line for lower Cook Inlet almost 9 miles north.
69	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.055.Upper Cook Inlet Salt Water Early-run King Salmon Management Plan. Modify the Upper Cook Inlet saltwater early-run king salmon season to end on June 24 instead of June 30.	0 – 9 Oppose This will increase the king harvest on the Anchor River.
70	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.060. Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan. Modify the date king salmon apply to the annual limit in the Lower Cook Inlet winter saltwater king salmon fishery from April 1 to May 1.	1-8 Oppose The bag limit would end March 1 st but the season would extend for 1 month and would thus cause confusion and potential increase of king salmon harvest. Support- this would still only target feeders and not spawners and the people that benefit are the local community in their commerce. Department was unsure what the overall harvest would be.



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1	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area and 5 AAC 58.060. Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan. Decrease the Lower Cook Inlet winter saltwater king salmon bag and possession limit to one fish, and establish an annual limit of two king salmon.	0 – 9 Oppose These fish are feeders and not spawners and are mostly from southeast and Canada.
72	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Eliminate the third Saturday in August (late-run coho) from the youth-only fishery in the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon.	9 - 0 Support.There will be no silvers returning anymore so no use having the fishery.
73	5 AAC 77.545. Kachemak Bay Personal Use Dip Net Fishery Management Plan. Require personal use- caught salmon in the China Poot dip net fishery to be marked.	9 - 0 Support.There is no permit right now and this would put it into regulation.
74	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Decrease lingcod bag and possession limit in Cook Inlet from two to one.	0 - 9 Oppose The habitat is capable of the limit as it is and no reason to change it at this time.
75	5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet- Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Change the lingcod sport fishing season to begin on June 1 instead of July 1.	0 – 9 Oppose. This would push the season into the spawning time.
76	5 AAC 01.560. Fishing seasons and daily fishing periods. Clarify open periods for subsistence salmon fishing in August in Seldovia Bay.	9 - 0 Support.Housekeeping for department.
77	5 AAC 21.200. Fishing districts, subdistricts, and sections. Change line and descriptions separating the Port Dick North and South sections in the Outer District.	9 – 0 Support. It makes management easier.
78	5 AAC 21.200. Fishing districts, subdistricts, and sections. Remove the "300 yards offshore" reference, and remove references to regulatory markers and replace with latitude and longitude coordinates for certain waters.	9 – 0 Support. It modernizes the markers used
79	5 AAC 21.350. Closed waters. Close waters to commercial fishing within one statute mile of the terminus of any anadromous fish stream in Cook Inlet as measured from mean lower low tide, not mean high tide. (<i>This proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meetings.</i>)	5 – 4 Support This would move the setnetters out even farther and it would be harder to manage the harvest in that area. Where on the stream this would end up being is going to vary. The streams that are identified are on the Western Cook Inlet, but the beginning of the proposal also states all anadramous streams, which is confusing what he is seeking. Support- it moves the

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		net out farther to help more fish get in the rivers and it if for all of the west side rivers.	
80	5 AAC 21.350. Closed waters. Amend waters closed to commercial fishing in Lower Cook Inlet.	9 – 0 Support.It would modernize the marker locations using GPS points.	
81	5 AAC 21.331. Gillnet specifications and operations; 5 AAC 21.332. Seine specifications and operations; and 5 AAC 27.410. Fishing seasons for Cook Inlet Area. Establish various management measures to address decline in returning king salmon to Cook Inlet, including requiring net gear be certified as avoiding king salmon interception and closing commercial herring fisheries. (The finfish aspects of this proposal will be considered at the Lower and Upper Cook Inlet meetings. The king and Tanner crab aspects of this proposal will be considered during the Statewide king and Tanner Crab meeting.)	0 - 9 Oppose This is too broad and asks for too many things.	
82	5 AAC 21.XXX. Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Create a management plan for Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA) and describe the location of the Tutka Bay Lagoon, Paint River, and Halibut Cove Lagoon SHAs.	The committee reviewed Proposals 82, 83 & 84 together and votetd - 9 - 0 Support It is allocative and would affect the sport fishery only. There is a sportfishing common property issue with these (if only the hatchery can have recovery on them). There were a lot of good ideas, just too much. Concern of over-production of hatchery fish and how much is sustainable was discussed. Support- there is the cost recovery aspect for the association and the department would be involved with the close or control of the fishery. Cook Inlet Aquaculture harvests fish for brood stock for the hatcheries. The department manages those fisheries in concert with Cook Inlet Aquaculture. The department should be the manager determining whether a fishery is closed or not. Without cost recovery the aquaculture may not be able to continue. They need all the support we can give them.	
83	5 AAC 21.377. Port Graham Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Modify management plan for Port Graham Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA) and describe the location of the SHA.	See comment on Proposal 82	



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84	5 AAC 21.373. Trail Lakes Salmon Hatchery Management Plan. Create a management plan for Trail Lakes Salmon Hatchery to determine harvest priorities within the special harvest area (SHA); describe the location of the Bear Lake, China Poot and Hazel Lake, Tutka Bay Lagoon, and Kirchner Lake SHAs; and define fishing seasons within the SHAs.	See comment on Proposal 82
85	5 AAC 21.376. Resurrection Bay Salmon Management Plan and 5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions and localized additions and exceptions to the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Prohibit sport fishing in Resurrection River until the Bear Lake sockeye salmon broodstock goal is met.	0 – 9 Oppose It would still allow the commercial fishery to continue after closing the sport fishery so it would be allocative.
86	5 AAC 28.332. Groundfish pot storage requirements for Cook Inlet. Modify Cook Inlet groundfish pot storage requirements.	9 - 0 Support.A house keeping issue.
87	5 AAC 28.371. Landing requirements for Cook Inlet Area. Modify offloading requirements for groundfish.	9 - 0 Support. A house keeping issue.

The advisory committee approved Jim Stubbs as their representative for the Lower Cook Inlet meeting.

Elections meeting will be held January 21, 2014 Expiring terms: Mark Campbell; Joel Doner; Bruce Morgan; Mike Priebe, Alternate; Kevin Sparrowgrove; Zach Stubbs; Joel Wagner, Alternate

Next meeting place and time; December 3rd either at King Career Center or the Hatchery at 6:30 pm Agenda items: Arctic/Western BOG proposals. other??

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

