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**TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP**

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**(155 proposals)**

**Shellfish Proposals (44 Proposals)**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 1: Crab (25 proposals: Chair - Cain)**

**Dungeness Crab (10 Proposals)**

***Commercial Fishery (5 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 53 Clarify regulations related to the sale of buoy tags to commercial Dungeness crab fishery permit holders.
- PROPOSAL 54 Reduce the maximum number of pots per vessel in the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial Dungeness crab fishery from 300 pots to 240 pots.
- PROPOSAL 55 Increase the maximum number of pots per vessel in the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial Dungeness crab fishery from 300 pots to 400 pots.
- PROPOSAL 56 Close waters of Twelvemile Arm to commercial fishing for Dungeness crab.
- PROPOSAL 235 Repeal the Southeastern Alaska Area Dungeness Crab Fisheries Management Plan and adopt fixed-length summer and fall fishing seasons.

***Sport Fishery and Personal Use (5 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 57 Close waters in the Klawock vicinity to sport fishing for Dungeness crab.
- PROPOSAL 58 Close waters in the Klawock vicinity to sport fishing for Dungeness crab.



- PROPOSAL 59 Close the Yakutat Area Dungeness crab sport fishery.
- PROPOSAL 60 Establish a guided sport ecotourism Dungeness crab fishery in Sitka Sound.
- PROPOSAL 186 Define what constitutes a guest of a lodge, charter vessel, or other enterprise.

**King and Tanner Crab (15 proposals)**

***General (2 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 61 Expand waters of king and Tanner crab Registration Area A to include all waters from zero to 200 miles offshore.
- PROPOSAL 62 Expand waters of king and Tanner crab Registration Area D to include all waters from zero to 200 miles offshore.

***Red King Crab (3 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 63 Open an exploratory commercial red king crab fishery in specific areas during years of low estimated abundance.
- PROPOSAL 64 Manage the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial red king crab fishery under an equal quota share when harvestable surplus is less than 200,000 pounds.
- PROPOSAL 234 Require a personal use fishing permit for the taking of king crab in all areas of Southeast Alaska and reduce the daily bag and possession limit.

***Golden King Crab (6 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 65 Expand fishing area for the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial golden king crab fishery.
- PROPOSAL 66 Implement weather-related fishery closure delays for the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial golden king crab fishery.
- PROPOSAL 67 Establish a regulatory closure date for the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial golden king crab fishery.
- PROPOSAL 68 Define methods used to set guideline harvest levels in the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial golden king crab fishery.
- PROPOSAL 69 Reduce Southeastern Alaska Area commercial golden king crab fishery guideline harvest ranges.
- PROPOSAL 70 Reduce the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial golden king crab fishery pot limit from 100 pots per vessel to 80 pots per vessel.



***Tanner Crab (4 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 71 Allow operation of commercial, subsistence, sport, or personal use pots in the 14 days after closure of the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial Tanner crab fishery.
- PROPOSAL 72 Re-define ‘non-core’ areas and define ‘exploratory’ areas in the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial Tanner crab fishery.
- PROPOSAL 73 Manage the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial Tanner crab fishery using an equal quota share.
- PROPOSAL 74 Establish a Tanner crab fishery in a section of the Yakutat District.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 2: Shrimp, Miscellaneous Shellfish (19 proposals: Chair - Johnson)**

***Personal Use/Sport (3 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 75 Reopen the personal use shrimp fishery in Section 11-A.
- PROPOSAL 76 Establish mesh size requirements for Southeast Alaska Area sport fishing shrimp pots.
- PROPOSAL 77 Amend shellfish methods and means and rescind unnecessary abalone regulations.

***Commercial Pot Shrimp (7 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 78 Add sections for Districts 6, 8, and 10 and provide shrimp fishery guideline harvest ranges for the new areas.
- PROPOSAL 79 Repeal winter commercial shrimp fishery and modify fishing season for the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial shrimp fishery to avoid egg bearing shrimp.
- PROPOSAL 80 Reduce the maximum number of pots per vessel, limit the number of pots per string and pot spacing, and limit gear to one operation cycle per day in the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial shrimp fishery.
- PROPOSAL 81 Allow commercial shrimp pots in the Southeastern Alaska Area to be pulled only one time per day.
- PROPOSAL 82 Close the Section 11-A commercial shrimp fishery.
- PROPOSAL 83 Close waters of Section 11-A to commercial fishing for shrimp and red king crab.
- PROPOSAL 84 Close additional waters in District 2 to commercial pot shrimp fishing.



***Commercial Beam Trawl Shrimp (1 Proposal)***

PROPOSAL 85 Expand current beam trawl shrimp fishery logbook requirement to cover all fishing areas.

***Sea Cucumbers (3 Proposals)***

PROPOSAL 86 Open fishing areas deemed to have stable sea cucumber populations to commercial harvest of sea cucumbers without a pre-fishery stock assessment survey.

PROPOSAL 87 Open waters of a number of fishing areas previously closed to commercial sea cucumber harvest.

PROPOSAL 88 Modify the method for establishing the guideline harvest level in the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial sea cucumber fishery.

***Geoducks (3 Proposals)***

PROPOSAL 89 Modify the method for establishing the guideline harvest level in the Southeastern Alaska Area commercial geoduck fishery.

PROPOSAL 90 Open previously non-surveyed fishing areas to a limited commercial harvest of geoducks without a pre-fishery stock assessment survey.

PROPOSAL 91 Establish a weekly geoduck harvest limit of 1,000 pounds per diver in the Southeastern Alaska Area.

***Scallops (1 Proposal)***

PROPOSAL 92 Remove guideline harvest range for District 16 scallops and set one guideline harvest range for all of Scallop Registration Area D.

***Squid (1 Proposal)***

PROPOSAL 93 Establish a commercial fishery for squid, using purse seine gear, in the Southeastern Alaska Area.

**Finfish Proposals (111 Proposals)**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 3: King Salmon: (9 proposals: Chair - Payton)**

***Stocks of Concern/ Action Plans***

King salmon Stocks of Concern and Action Plans for Chilkat River, King Salmon River, Unuk River, and McDonald Lake Sockeye.



***Chilkat River King Salmon (2 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 130 Close subsistence fishing for salmon in Chilkat Inlet through July 15, and Chilkat River from June 15 to August 1.
- PROPOSAL 131 Implement maximum gillnet mesh-size restrictions in the Chilkat Inlet and River subsistence salmon fishery.

***Taku River King Salmon (3 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 132 Amend sport king salmon regulations in Districts 11, 12, 14, and 15 based on the Taku River king salmon preseason escapement estimate.
- PROPOSAL 133 Base duration of commercial salmon troll and drift gillnet gear spring openings on preseason king salmon abundance projections.
- PROPOSAL 134 Close the spring commercial salmon troll fishery in Districts 9, 12, and 14 when the Juneau area sport fishery is closed to protect king salmon.

***Situk River King Salmon (2 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 135 Modify lawful gear for subsistence salmon fishing in Yakutat Bay.
- PROPOSAL 136 Extend the area closed to sport fishing downstream and upstream of the Situk River weir during June and July.

***Sport King Salmon Management Plan (2 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 137 Increase the regional resident king salmon possession limit when the Southeast Alaska Area preseason king salmon abundance index is greater than 2.0.
- PROPOSAL 138 Allow the retention of other salmon while fishing for king salmon with two rods.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 4: Salmon: Enhancement, Special Harvest Areas, Management Plans, and Miscellaneous (23 proposals: Chair - Huntington)**

***Enhanced Salmon Allocation (8 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 139 Eliminate provisions for a rotational fishery in Southeast Cove Terminal Harvest Area and allow the department to manage the fishery in consultation with the hatchery operator.
- PROPOSAL 140 Prohibit use of drift gillnet gear for commercial salmon fishing in the Anita Bay Terminal Harvest Area during the 2018–2020 fishing seasons.
- PROPOSAL 141 Modify net rotation schedules for the commercial drift gillnet gear and purse seine gear salmon fisheries at Deep Inlet and Anita Bay terminal harvest areas.



- PROPOSAL 142 Modify drift gillnet and purse seine fishing rotations in the Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area.
- PROPOSAL 143 Change the time ratio for drift gillnet gear to purse seine gear openings in Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area.
- PROPOSAL 144 Allow increased commercial salmon fishing opportunity with troll gear in the Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area.
- PROPOSAL 145 Allow commercial salmon fishing with purse seine gear in the Nakat Inlet Terminal Harvest Area.
- PROPOSAL 146 Do not include enhanced salmon produced by private nonprofit hatcheries in Southeastern Alaska Area Enhanced Salmon Allocation Management Plan gear-specific value allocations.

***Special Harvest Areas/Terminal Harvest Areas (6 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 147 Amend Mist Cove salmon closure to allow for taking of salmon with fly fishing gear and prohibit snagging.
- PROPOSAL 148 Expand the Herring Bay Sportfish Terminal Harvest Area to provide additional sport fishing opportunity for hatchery-produced king salmon.
- PROPOSAL 149 Extend the closing date for salmon harvest by the hatchery permit holder in Deep Inlet Special Harvest Area.
- PROPOSAL 150 Establish a special harvest area in Crawfish Inlet.
- PROPOSAL 151 Establish a terminal harvest area and management plan for Carroll Inlet.
- PROPOSAL 152 Update area description and coordinates of the Anita Bay Terminal Harvest Area boundaries.

***Management Plans (6 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 153 Repeal the District 1 Pink Salmon Management Plan.
- PROPOSAL 154 Establish a management plan for pink salmon in Lower Clarence Strait.
- PROPOSAL 155 Eliminate the wild sockeye salmon harvest limit for the District 12 commercial salmon purse seine fishery.
- PROPOSAL 156 Change time period the District 12 commercial salmon purse seine fishery wild sockeye salmon harvest cap is in effect to reflect current sockeye salmon run timing.
- PROPOSAL 157 Include wild sockeye salmon harvested in the Amalga Harbor Special Harvest Area in the District 12 commercial salmon purse seine fishery wild sockeye harvest limit.



PROPOSAL 158 Include wild sockeye salmon harvested in the Amalga Harbor Special Harvest Area in the wild sockeye salmon harvest limit for the commercial salmon purse seine fishery in District 12.

***Miscellaneous (3 Proposals)***

PROPOSAL 159 Prohibit the use of all aircraft used to locate salmon or direct commercial fishing operations during open commercial salmon fishing periods in the Southeastern Alaska Area.

PROPOSAL 160 Allow commercial fishing for salmon in waters near selected streams in Boat Harbor, Anita Bay, Deep Inlet, and Nakat Inlet Terminal Harvest Areas up to a straight line between the seaward extremities of the exposed tideland banks.

PROPOSAL 161 Update commercial salmon fishery closed waters coordinates in Whitewater Bay.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 5: Commercial Salmon: Set Gillnet, Purse Seine, Drift Gillnet, Troll (24 proposals: Chair - Ruffner)**

***Set Gillnet (4 Proposals)***

PROPOSAL 162 Open additional fishing area in the remainder of the Yakutat District as mitigation for king salmon conservation closures around the Situk and Lost Rivers.

PROPOSAL 163 Continue to allow set gillnet gear permit stacking in the Yakutat Area, by removing the sunset provision.

PROPOSAL 164 Update commercial salmon fishery closed waters description at the mouth of the Situk River to provide a more accurate description of current closed waters.

PROPOSAL 165 Change commercial salmon fishery closed waters description for Tsiu and Tsivat Rivers to more accurately reflect current stream mouth location.

***Purse Seine (3 Proposals)***

PROPOSAL 166 Allow a weekly commercial fishery targeting pink salmon with purse seine gear in District 12.

PROPOSAL 167 Close waters beyond one half mile from shore in Districts 12 and 14 to commercial fishing for salmon with purse seine gear.

PROPOSAL 168 Close certain waters of Districts 12 and 14 to commercial salmon fishing with purse seine gear.



***Drift Gillnet (3 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 169 Open Section 6-D the second Sunday of June to commercial fishing for salmon with drift gillnet gear.
- PROPOSAL 170 Open a portion of District 10 the third Sunday of June to commercial fishing for salmon with drift gillnet gear only.
- PROPOSAL 171 Add District 6 to the mesh-size restriction area and allow implementation of the mesh-size restriction for an additional month.

***Troll (13 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 172 Remove restrictions on harvesting non-Alaska hatchery-produced salmon in the spring commercial salmon troll fishery on the Gravina Island shore.
- PROPOSAL 173 Allow commercial fisheries using troll gear to target enhanced chum salmon in Districts 12 and 14 to continue by removing the sunset provision.
- PROPOSAL 174 Establish commercial fisheries targeting enhanced chum salmon using troll gear in portions of Districts 9 and 10.
- PROPOSAL 175 Implement a king salmon possession restriction for vessels participating in the enhanced chum salmon troll fishery.
- PROPOSAL 176 Establish a commercial fishery using troll gear to target hatchery-produced chum salmon in Crawfish Inlet.
- PROPOSAL 177 Allow commercial fishing with troll gear for hatchery-produced coho salmon, in certain areas, during commercial troll fishery coho salmon conservation closures.
- PROPOSAL 178 Restrict fishing area in Sitka Sound when harvest of non-Alaska hatchery-produced king salmon reaches 30,000 fish by March 1.
- PROPOSAL 179 Adopt measures to reduce harvest rate in the winter commercial salmon troll fishery during times of high king salmon abundance.
- PROPOSAL 180 Reduce triggers in the Southeastern Alaska Area spring commercial salmon troll fishery by five percent in years of high king salmon abundance.
- PROPOSAL 181 Reduce the percentage of remaining commercial king salmon troll fishery harvest taken during the initial summer king salmon retention period from 70% to 60% during years of high king salmon abundance.
- PROPOSAL 182 Establish a starting date for the reopening the summer commercial king salmon troll fishery.
- PROPOSAL 183 Modify commercial salmon fishing closed waters adjacent to the Situk River.
- PROPOSAL 184 Modify gear specifications for the commercial salmon hand troll fishery.





**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 6: Personal Use and Sport Fisheries (20**

**Proposals: Chair- Morisky)**

***Personal Use (9 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 185 Increase opportunity to harvest salmon and allow additional gear types in the Southeastern Alaska Area personal use salmon fishery.
- PROPOSAL 187 Open personal use sockeye salmon fishing in the Klawock River.
- PROPOSAL 188 Provide for personal use harvest of hatchery-produced salmon in Ketchikan Creek.
- PROPOSAL 189 Provide regulatory provisions necessary to harvest aquatic plants for personal use within the Joint Board of Fisheries and Game nonsubsistence areas in the Southeast Alaska Area.
- PROPOSAL 190 Increase the personal use household limit for sockeye salmon in the Taku River drainage.
- PROPOSAL 191 Amend the personal use salmon season in the Taku River drainage to open the fishery on the fourth Saturday in June.
- PROPOSAL 192 Allow personal use fishing for salmon in District 11.
- PROPOSAL 193 Establish a personal use salmon set gillnet fishery in Section 15-A.
- PROPOSAL 194 Allow personal use fishing for salmon in District 15.

***Sport Regionwide (2 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 195 Establish nonresident annual limits for sockeye salmon in Southeast Alaska Area salt waters.
- PROPOSAL 196 Establish nonresident annual limits for sockeye salmon in Southeast Alaska Area fresh waters.

***Sport Special Provisions (9 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 197 Simplify current freshwater sport fishing regulations for king salmon in freshwater drainages of the Sitka Sound Special Use Area.
- PROPOSAL 198 Amend the open season for Dolly Varden in Auke Bay.
- PROPOSAL 199 Increase the bag limit for Dolly Varden on the Juneau road system.
- PROPOSAL 200 Prohibit snagging in all salt and freshwaters along the Juneau road system, with minor exceptions.
- PROPOSAL 201 Allow catch-and-release only in the Juneau vicinity Dredge Lakes area.
- PROPOSAL 202 Allow only single, barbless hooks on artificial lures in the Dredge Lakes area.



- PROPOSAL 203 Rescind the salmon sport fishing closure in Sheep Creek.
- PROPOSAL 204 Amend bag limit and season provisions and establish an annual limit for sockeye salmon in Windfall Creek.
- PROPOSAL 205 Prohibit multiple and barbed hooks in the Tsiu River drainage.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 7: Groundfish (17 proposals: Chair - Cain)**

***General (2 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 113 Expand description of allowable groundfish parts that may be used as bait.
- PROPOSAL 114 Allow the transport of live groundfish for the purposes of export or sale for human consumption.

***Spiny Dogfish Sharks (1 Proposal)***

- PROPOSAL 115 Create a new commercial fishery for spiny dogfish sharks using pot gear in the Eastern Gulf of Alaska Area.

***Sablefish (7 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 116 Establish a regional sablefish nonresident annual limit.
- PROPOSAL 117 Allow pots as a legal gear type in the Southeastern Alaska Area personal use sablefish fishery.
- PROPOSAL 118 Change the season opening date for the Southern Southeast Inside Subdistrict commercial sablefish fishery to coincide with the federal sablefish fishery.
- PROPOSAL 119 Amend gear and season dates for Southern Southeast Inside Subdistrict commercial sablefish fishery.
- PROPOSAL 120 Modify fishing seasons in the Southern Southeast Inside Subdistrict commercial sablefish fishery to allow concurrent fishing with pot and longline gear.
- PROPOSAL 121 Allow Southern Southeast Inside permit holders the option of using longline or pot gear for sablefish.
- PROPOSAL 122 Base guideline harvest limits for the commercial sablefish fishery on federal survey data.

***Lingcod (2 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 123 Increase the minimum retention size for lingcod in the Eastern Gulf of Alaska Area commercial fishery.
- PROPOSAL 124 Allow the sale of up to two lingcod taken as bycatch in the commercial salmon troll fishery in Sitka Sound.



***Sport Rockfish (4 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 125 Repeal mandatory retention requirements for nonpelagic rockfish.
- PROPOSAL 126 Require all anglers to release nonpelagic rockfish at depth with a deepwater release mechanism.
- PROPOSAL 127 Establish provisions for reducing the resident pelagic rockfish bag limit in Central Southeast Outside waters.
- PROPOSAL 128 Reduce the pelagic rockfish limits in the Sitka Area.

***Commercial Rockfish (1 Proposal)***

- PROPOSAL 129 Reduce the trip limit in the East Yakutat Section and clarify trip limits in the Southeast District and East Yakutat Section commercial demersal shelf rockfish fishery.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 8: Herring (19 proposals: Chair - Ruffner)**

***Subsistence (1 Proposal)***

- PROPOSAL 94 Reduce the amount of herring spawn reasonably necessary for subsistence in Sitka Sound.

***Fishing Seasons (3 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 95 Repeal the commercial sac roe herring fishery in Sections 15-B and 15-C.
- PROPOSAL 96 Repeal the commercial sac roe herring fishery in Section 11-A.
- PROPOSAL 97 Open the Southeastern Alaska Area winter commercial food and bait herring fishery on December 1.

***Harvest Rates and Guideline Harvest Levels (6 Proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 98 Reduce harvest rate for commercial herring fisheries in the Southeastern Alaska Area.
- PROPOSAL 99 Reduce maximum harvest rate used to establish the commercial sac roe herring fishery guideline harvest level in Sections 13-A and 13-B from 20% of the spawning biomass to 10% of the spawning biomass.
- PROPOSAL 100 Amend formula used to calculate guideline harvest levels for the commercial herring sac roe fishery in Sections 11-A, 15-B, and 15-C.
- PROPOSAL 101 Reduce bait fishery harvest limit in the Section 3-B commercial herring spawn on kelp fishery.
- PROPOSAL 102 Reduce herring bait fishery harvest limit and increase spawn on kelp herring fishery harvest limit in Section 3-B.



PROPOSAL 103 Reduce the Section 3-B winter bait herring fishery harvest limit and increase the Section 3-B spawn on kelp herring fishery harvest limit.

***Sitka Sound (3 Proposals)***

PROPOSAL 104 Repeal closed waters in the District 13 commercial herring fishery.

PROPOSAL 105 Expand closed waters in the District 13 commercial herring fishery.

PROPOSAL 106 Expand closed waters in the District 13 commercial herring fishery.

***Spawn on kelp (6 Proposals)***

PROPOSAL 107 Establish a herring spawn on kelp commercial fishery in Sections 13-A and 13-B.

PROPOSAL 108 Expand the open area for the spawn on kelp herring pound fishery in Section 3-B.

PROPOSAL 109 Allow no more than four Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission limited entry permit holders to operate in a single pound structure in the Southeastern Alaska Area herring spawn on kelp fishery.

PROPOSAL 110 Allow the department to close fishing to some herring pound types to manage the fishery within the allowable guideline harvest level.

PROPOSAL 111 Define and allow closed half pound structures in the Southeastern Alaska Area herring spawn on kelp fishery.

PROPOSAL 112 Use a conversion factor applied to final product weight to determine harvest in the Southeastern Alaska Area herring spawn on kelp fishery.