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SOUTHERN, NORTHERN, & JOINT SOUTHEAST REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM MEETING

Thursday, December 3, 2015 (9:00 a.m.)

NSRAA Board Room

1308 Sawmill Creek Road

Sitka, Alaska 99835

Juneau. . .The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announces the Joint, Northern, and Southern Southeast Regional Planning Teams fall 2015 meeting will be held at the above time and place. The Regional Planning Teams (RPT) consists of representatives of salmon fishing gear groups and ADF&G personnel. RPTs were established by the Commissioner of ADF&G for the purpose of development and amendment of comprehensive salmon plans; making recommendations concerning private non-profit hatchery permits and permit alteration requests (PARs); and making recommendations concerning the allocation of enhanced salmon throughout Southeast Alaska. This meeting is open to the public.

The Northern RPT will review three possible PARs: Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA) would like to move 40 million chum salmon eggs worth of production out of Takatz Bay and into 1) Port Malmesbury and/or; 2) Thomas Bay, in an effort to increase marine survival; and 3) NSRAA is pursuing taking over operation of Gunnuk Creek Hatchery, which may require a PAR to release Hidden Falls Hatchery chum salmon at Gunnuk Creek to maintain the broodstock return. The Northern RPT will also review a Hatchery Permit application from Armstrong-Keta, Inc. to use a portion of the existing Little Port Walter Hatchery (NOAA) for production of an additional 600,000 king salmon eggs.

The Joint RPT will discuss allocation of hatchery-produced salmon and possibly other related topics.

Should you have special needs in order to participate in this meeting, copies of the agenda or additional information, please contact Mr. Pryor (Garold.Pryor@alaska.gov). PDF copies of PARs can be found at: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishingHatcheriesPlanning.regional>

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