PROPOSAL 110 – 5 AAC 07.331. Gillnet specifications and operations. Remove the option for gillnet mesh to be up to 8 inch in District 1 of the Kuskokwim River Area.

Comment Summary:

Department: None.

Department of Law: None.

Federal Subsistence Representative: None.

Public Panel Comments:
- Points in favor:
  - Allowing potential use of 8” is contrary to SSFP.
  - Overwhelming public comment was in favor of repeal; the repeal was supported by Kuskokwim Native Association, Napaimute, Holitna Stony River Advisory Committee, KRSMWG, and Lower Kuskokwim River AC.
  - Use of this mesh size is unacceptable.
- Every one of the large king salmon are fully allocated to escapement and subsistence needs.
- Lower Kuskokwim AC submitted a similar proposal in 2007 and has since changed its position.

Public Panel Recommendation: Consensus to support.

Correction:
In 2007, the proposal introducing the 8-inch option was made by the Lower Kuskokwim River Advisory Committee, but they have now reversed their position and support repeal of the 8-in option by Doug Molyneaux, James Charles LKR-AC chair.