

Dear Chairman Johnstone:

We wanted to quickly clarify a small portion of the minutes submitted from the March 24, 2014 Lower Bristol Bay Advisory Committee (LBBAC), AC 20, that were submitted concerning Proposal 375. These minutes were offered up to the AC on March 3, with just a few hours to review before they were submitted to the Alaska Board of Fish. There are some inaccuracies that are important to note.

The AC did reach a consensus on the concept of an 'either, or' option on Proposal 375. There was absolutely no language agreement in that meeting, besides a concept of either, or, before those interested parties broke out to work in a group, via email, on the possible language.

During the email discussion there was not a full engagement by one of the original proposers. The Department withdrew from the discussion early on dealing with their proposal and left it to the stake holders. There was almost no worthwhile discussion, due the lack of all of the stakeholders participating in the language was put forward.

On the Feb. 28, 2014 there was a group phone call to discuss what the email committee came up with. ***The language offered under A&B at the start of the minutes was not agreed upon BUT JUST discussed on the Feb 28th meeting. It is very misleading to have it listed under the 'either, or' option at the start.*** We did not go into the committee with this being agreed upon in any way. All we could agree on the 24th, and subsequently was the concept of either, or.

Missing from the minutes, under the Feb 28th portion is an entire discussion about losing 40% of the area opportunity to fish, even with the either, or concept.

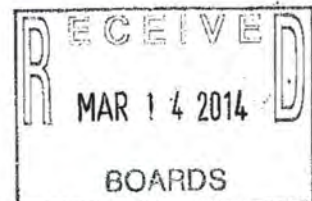
Also a short discussion of where the channel actually is, there still seems to be a misconception that the channel is beyond 600 ft from the East shore; this is totally due to a lack of local knowledge of actual water depths. The actual channel is 300 to 400 ft from the East Bank (18 ft high tide line) See the various Google earth maps and depth maps.

Despite efforts of our Board support person to make an 'official' recording, it was not available. There was at least one other recording done by a Committee member that was double checked to verify the above issues. It is available if the BOF would like to listen.

A number of us stake holders continue to hope that once we get to Anchorage we can all meet and work on language before this comes before the Board for any action.

Respectfully,

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