

Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game on behalf of Board Member Jeffrey

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Substitute regulatory language for Proposal 133

5 AAC 04.330 is amended to read:

5 AAC 04.330. Gear. (a) In the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area, set gillnets [SET GILLNETS ONLY] may be operated.

(b) In [, EXCEPT THAT IN] the Norton Sound District, drift gillnets may **also** be operated [AS SPECIFIED IN 5 AAC 04.331].

(c) In Subdistricts 5 and 6, beach seines may be operated in the commercial chum and pink salmon fisheries during periods established by emergency order under 5 AAC 04.395.

5 AAC 04 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 AAC 04.332. Seine specifications and operations. A beach seine may not be constructed of single-strand or multiple-strand monofilament web and may not exceed

- (1) 150 fathoms in length;
- (2) 100 meshes in depth;
- (3) a mesh size of four inches stretched measure.

5 AAC 04.395 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 AAC 04.395. Subdistricts 5 and 6 of the Norton Sound District and the Unalakleet River King Salmon Management Plan.

(k) Notwithstanding (h) of this section, the commissioner may, by emergency order, open a commercial salmon fishery during which beach seine gear may be used to take chum and pink salmon and all king salmon caught must be returned immediately to the water alive.