



**Alaska Board of Fisheries**

**Arctic / Yukon / Kuskokwim Finfish**  
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**TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP**  
**(57 proposals)**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 1: KUSKOKWIM SALMON AND HERRING**

**(16 proposals: Chair - Huntington)**

***Kuskokwim Salmon Management Plan (3 proposals): 92 - 94***

- 92 Modify the Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Plan to manage the king salmon subsistence fishery based on the Bethel Test Fishery.
- 93 Modify the Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Plan to establish an inriver run goal of king salmon above the Bethel Test Fishery.
- 94 Establish an inriver run goal for the Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Plan.

***Subsistence Salmon (7 proposals): 222, 95 - 100***

- 96 Separate the amounts necessary for subsistence use of king salmon into three parts on the Kuskokwim River.
- 222 Establish a permit system for regulating the king salmon subsistence fishery during times of low king salmon runs.
- 95 Create a Tier II subsistence king salmon fishery in the Kuskokwim River.
- 97 Create a permitting system for the king salmon subsistence fishery in the Kuskokwim River.
- 98 Establish descriptions of subsistence fishing sections for the Kuskokwim River during times of king salmon conservation.
- 99 Modify gear operation in the Kuskokwim River by limiting four-inch mesh subsistence gear to one gillnet per household.
- 100 Establish subsistence beach seine specifications in the Kuskokwim Area.

***Commercial Salmon (4 proposals): 101 - 104***

- 101 Repeal Kuskokwim Area depth specifications for commercial gillnets greater than six-inch mesh.



- 102 Change gillnet mesh size from six inches or smaller to five and three-quarters inches or smaller in District 4 of the Kuskokwim Area.
- 103 Amend the Kuskokwim Area District 4 Salmon Management Plan to include District 5.
- 104 Increase the commercial fishing area in District 5 of the Kuskokwim Area.

***Sport Salmon (1 proposal): 105***

- 105 Modify gear specifications to reduce king salmon harvest in the Kanektok and Arolik rivers.

***Commercial Herring (1 proposal): 106***

- 106 Extend the Nelson Island herring fishing district from Atrnak Point toward Cape Vancouver.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 2: YUKON AREA SALMON**  
**(22 proposals: Chair - Jensen)**

***Yukon Management Plans (5 proposals): 107 - 111***

- 107 Close the Yukon River summer chum salmon commercial fishery to protect king salmon.
- 108 Reduce management triggers in the Yukon River Summer Chum Salmon Management Plan based on the run size of summer chum salmon.
- 109 Modify the Yukon River Summer Chum Salmon Management Plan triggers.
- 110 Increase the commercial fishery threshold trigger in the Yukon River Drainage Fall Chum Salmon Management Plan.
- 111 Eliminate the use of GHLs in the Yukon River King Salmon Management Plan.

***Yukon Subsistence (10 proposals): 112 - 121***

- 112 Allow all gear used in Yukon Area commercial fisheries to be allowed in Yukon Area subsistence fisheries.
- 113 Prohibit the use of drift gillnets in the Yukon Area subsistence fishery and in the Yukon Area commercial fishery.
- 114 Require subsistence salmon fishing permits in Yukon Area District 5 and set permit limits for king salmon during times of king salmon conservation.
- 115 Allow for the retention of king salmon less than 25 inches in length in Yukon Area fish wheel subsistence fisheries.
- 116 During times of salmon conservation in the Yukon Area, require fish wheels with live boxes to be manned and require immediate release of the specified salmon.
- 117 Prohibit the use of beach seines in the Yukon Area subsistence salmon fishery and in the Yukon River and Anvik River summer chum salmon commercial fisheries.
- 118 Establish specifications for a beach seine used for subsistence fishing in the Yukon Area.
- 119 Require live release of king salmon from subsistence beach seines during times of king salmon conservation in the Yukon Area.



- 120 Allow subsistence fall chum salmon fishing seven days per week in District 5 of the Yukon Area once a fall chum salmon commercial fishery is opened.
- 121 Expand the area of allowable subsistence drift gillnet fishing for chum salmon in Subdistrict 4-A of the Yukon Area.

***Yukon Commercial (7 proposals): 122 - 128***

- 122 Modify Yukon Area commercial set gillnet length specification to an aggregate length standard.
- 123 Further define commercial beach seine specifications for summer chum salmon in the Yukon Area.
- 124 Allow for six-inch or smaller mesh gillnets in the commercial salmon fishery in Yukon River District 6 by emergency order.
- 125 Establish gillnet gear provisions to allow a directed pink salmon commercial fishery in districts 1–3 of the Yukon Area.
- 126 Add purse seine gear as an allowable commercial salmon fishing gear to target summer chum salmon in districts 1–3 of the Yukon River during times of king salmon conservation.
- 127 Expand the commercial fishing area of Yukon Area District 1.
- 128 Extend commercial fishing three miles offshore and north to Point Romanof in District 1 of the Yukon Area.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 3: NORTON SOUND-PORT CLARENCE AREA SALMON AND AYK RESIDENT SPECIES**

**(19 proposals: Chair - Jeffrey)**

***Norton Sound/Port Clarence Subsistence (4 proposals): 129 - 132***

- 129 In the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area during times of conservation, require the return of a specified salmon species immediately to the water unharmed when beach seining.
- 130 Allow the restriction of gillnet mesh size during times of conservation for chum and king salmon in any portion of the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area.
- 131 Increase subsistence fishing time with gillnets and beach seines in Subdistrict 1 of Norton Sound District.
- 132 Add cast net as a legal subsistence fishing gear and allow both dip net and cast net gear to be used in all subsistence fisheries in the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area.



***Norton Sound/Port Clarence Commercial (1 proposal): 133***

- 133 Allow the use of beach seines for commercial harvest of chum and pink salmon in Subdistricts 5 and 6 of the Norton Sound District during times of king salmon conservation.

***Norton Sound/Yukon Area Boundary (1 proposal): 134***

- 134 Change the boundary line separating the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area and Yukon Area at Point Romanof in area and district descriptions.

***Norton Sound Crab Pot Limits (1 proposal): 223***

- 223 Establish an aggregate pot limit of no more than 20 pots per permit holder for the Norton Sound Section winter through-the-ice commercial fishery.

***AYK Resident Species Sport (6 proposals): 135 - 140***

- 135 Prohibit the use of set lines in Grizzly and Jack lakes.  
136 Allow only one fishing line per angler during the Fielding Lake winter fishery.  
137 Allow the use of bait during the winter fishery on Fielding Lake.  
138 Allow retention of Arctic grayling on the Chena River.  
139 Update the Tanana River Area stocked waters regulation.  
140 Repeal Yukon River Area rainbow trout regulations.

***AYK Resident Species Subsistence (4 proposals): 141 - 144***

- 141 Recognize rod and reel fishing as a legal means for subsistence fishing in all of the Kotzebue District.  
142 Change the dates gillnet gear may be used in the South Fork and Middle Fork of the Koyukuk River from November 1 to June 30 to August 20 to June 30.  
143 Reduce the bag and possession limit of northern pike in the Minto Flats Northern Pike Management Plan.  
144 Allow the use of five and one-half inch mesh gillnets across an entire channel in portions of the Koyukuk River for the purpose of targeting northern pike.

***AYK Resident Species Personal Use (1 proposal): 145***

- 145 Repeal the regulation that prohibits the taking of northern pike in the Tanana River drainage personal use fishery.

***AYK Resident Species Commercial (1 proposal): 146***

- 146 Create a directed commercial fishery for cisco in Norton Sound or Port Clarence Districts.