

**On-Time Advisory Committee Comment List
Bristol Bay Finfish
December 2–8, 2015**

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Anchorage Fish and Game Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

November 3rd, 6:30 pm at Rabbit Creek Rifle Range Hunter Ed. Building, located at 15222 Seward Highway

1. Call meeting to order (6:35pm by Joel Doner)
2. Invocation (Joel Doner)
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Advise Guests of Public Testimony signup sheet (Joel Doner)
5. Establish a quorum (approved) Jim and Dwight excused. Still needing name tags.

Ernie Weiss, Martin Weiser, Gerold (Jerry) Gugel, Brett Barringer (alternate), Willow Hetrick (alternate), Joel Doner, Frank Neumann, Kevin Taylor, Donald Sutherland, Neil DeWitt, Kenny Rodgers, Trevor Rollman, Phillip Calhoun,

6. Approve Agenda – approved after moving new business to after public testimony because of our Department guests.

7. Introduce Department Guests:

- Robert (Bob) Mumford (BOF)
- Paul Salomone (ADF& Fisheries Division)
- Dave Battle (ADF&G) Anchorage area biologist of Region 2
- Dave Saafeld (ADF&G) Regional wildlife biologist of Region 2

8. Approve Minutes of prior Meeting

- One change to minutes (Brett Barringer second alternate)
- New members being elected – Martin Weiser, Norm Stadem were also elected (not just nominated)
- Change agenda to minutes
- Neil DeWitt motions to accept minutes with changes
- Trevor Rollman seconded motion
- Email approval minutes – minutes from this meeting must be submitted before next meetings as BOF proposals are due November 19th, 2015. AC will have an opportunity to review prior to minutes going to BOF. Turn these around ASAP.
- AC does not take action over email; we can't do business over email.
- Home addresses are public domain, cell phones and emails are not. List that Sherry sent out is only for internal business. Keep within AC members only. Be careful with 'reply' and 'forward'

9. Public testimony



- Rick Koch (City manager in Kenai, AK) – 2017 Upper Cook Inlet BOF finfish meeting/location for meeting. City of Kenai occupied unique position on fisheries in State. Corporate boundaries include sport, commercial, drift, owns one mile of tidelands, set net sites (leases), subsistence activities and personal use fishery. Last BOF meeting held on Peninsula was 1999 (6 board cycle), with no opportunity for 60,000 residents to easily participate in fishery issues that directly affect them. 2017 meeting will be in Anchorage again. 2015 agenda considered changing dates; BOF had lengthy discussions on dates and meeting location. Attorney said couldn't make the decision b/c it hasn't been appropriately noted. Motion to item to consider changing 2017 meeting location, motion passed 4 to 3. Respectfully request AC to support request to change meeting location to Kenai Peninsula. Borough, City of Kenai, Seward, etc. all on-board (went on to say he represents all Peninsula cities as they all agree). Governor Walker requested BOF to hold meeting on Peninsula. Requesting fairness from BOF to Alaskans to participate in BOF process. Difficult for Peninsula residents to take 2 weeks off to attend meetings, distance, and uncertainty of 2 week BOG schedule. Kenai Peninsula residents are more directly related to the fisheries in Cook Inlet than Anchorage/Mat-Su residents. Everyone in Peninsula has skin in the game of fish issues. Why should Anchorage AC support? – 1) simple fairness. 18 years since the last meeting, and Kenai residents' cannot easily attend. It's time. 2) AC's have a responsibility to the BOF process with valued choices; all affected parties would have the ability to comment and BOF can hear about what affects Peninsula residents
 - Joel Doner – BOF meeting in 2014? Last Upper Cook Inlet meeting at the Eagan Center cost \$65,000 for center and services. Confirm that Kenai/Soldotna will provide at no cost. Is Board support aware of this offer? If we were to make a motion of support, would like to include the #'s in our agreement. Did Upper Cook Inlet ever meet prior to 1999 on the Peninsula? Board support said there was one in Wasilla in the 1980's.
 - . \$41,320 to rent Eagan Center, \$19,908 for coffee/tea/water. Kenai Borough/City of Kenai/Soldotna (Sport's Center) will provide at no cost to BOF to hold meetings in Kenai/Soldotna along with concessions at no cost. Cheaper place to hold meeting. Focused on providing costs to the BOF to guide their decision. Have not brought it up to the Board of Fish. Didn't have these numbers in Kenai hands until 11/2/2015. 600 hotel rooms in Kenai/Soldotna – empty and therefore not expensive. In the process of gathering town support BUT without special deal, will be cheaper than Anchorage.
 - Rick Cook – cannot remember, no one is sure. Possible there was one in the 1980's.
 - Neil DeWitt – compared to rest of AK going to Juneau – expensive. Hotel reservations already made. Question: will hotels give a lower price to support this meeting? Plenty of parking?
 - Plenty of parking will provide shuttles to and from hotels.
 - Trevor Rollman – Capacity of two venues?
 - Rick Koch - Kenai Central High School auditorium = 990 people with breakout rooms (400 rooms that can be broken down). Soldotna Sport's Center = Olympic size hockey rink, easily 1,000 with breakout rooms (up to 400 that can be



broken down). Egan center has 400 seats. First week of meeting coincides with Iditarod so Kenai will likely be cheaper and less distractions.

- Phillip Calhoun – why asking for this motion from AC?
 - Rick Cook - BOF isn't hearing the residents on the Peninsula.
- Brett Barringer – how many people attend BOF meetings? Does the City (& surroundings) have hotel capacity?
 - Mr. Mumford - 1999 meeting was in smaller venue. Pretty packed. 400 chairs would suffice.
 - Rick Cook – well over 300 people, almost full most of the time.
 - Hotels can support a large meeting like this. Kenai can host a fine meeting and it would be a positive thing.
- Frank Neumann – does the Lower Cook Inlet advisory always meet in Homer? Are you going to the BOF to ask for a cycle or a one-time meeting?
 - Rick Cook - Lower Cook Inlet meeting always meets in Homer and Kodiak is always in Kodiak. City is open to either a cyclic meeting or a one-time meeting, will take anything they can get. At a minimum, 2017 should be on the Peninsula. Cannot discuss it in the next meeting b/c haven't notified it.
- Arnie Thomson (Alaska Salmon Alliance (commercial fishing/seafood 5013(6)) – same issue as above. Advocate consideration of 1017 BOF on Kenai Peninsula (Kenai or Soldotna). Brought 20 copies of the Governor's letter to review. Commercial side of seafood industry: Mc Dowell group analysis of commercial fisheries in Southcentral Alaska (on Alaska Salmon Alliance website). \$1.2 billion industry that supports a lot of residents in the Peninsula. Income from fishing comparable to mining, construction, and oil and gas industry - \$400 million/year. 10,800 jobs. 8,130 FTE. \$150 million of payroll in Anchorage/Mat-Su, \$100 million payroll in Kenai Peninsula. Cognitive part of SC AK economy.
 - NO QUESTIONS

7:15pm ended public testimony

****Department Update**

- Dave Battle (ADF&G) Anchorage area biologist/ Dave Saufeld (ADF&G) Regional wildlife biologist of Region 2 – here to address moose surveys & other things in purview.
 - Agenda change request 14C Lake George non-residents goat season. Non-residents over harvesting in registration. Over harvesting in 3-4 days. Want it to be back to a non-resident draw.
 - Department A&R's out before X-mas (internal deadline early December)
 - Statewide proposal difficult. Often are not biological. A lot are something that they don't have anything to do with (i.e. inclusion of crossbows (not biology)). Have to be neutral, assumed they'll be neutral on a lot of surveys.
 - Completed surveys in 2015: 877 goats in 14C. 154 sheep (28% rams) but likely upwards of 1,000 b/c they didn't survey everything both up from previous surveys.



- Every year plan to fly moose surveys. Longer window for sheep surveys. Don't always fly goat surveys. Have a narrow window for moose survey – need complete snow cover (affects sightability), ~8-23 inches. Have from then until December 8 (cutoff), b/c too many bulls are dropping antlers and cannot get sex ratios. Attempt to fly every year but don't always have good conditions to do so. Don't have to fly surveys every year to manage moose. Lots of blanks in moose management reports. Not a \$ thing, condition factors. Accepted thing. Ready to go for 2015, waiting for snow.
 - Frank Neumann – Department does try to survey. 14C moose hunt? Increased Bull harvest success?
 - 14C moose hunt had complaints from Base. Upper Ship Creek hunt was over quota in 3 days.
 - Added bulls to next year's harvest, not this year.
 - 25 black bear tags on base 2016/2017.
 - Joel Doner – will give AC state A&R's? Antlerless reauthorizations.
 - Work on weekends, holidays, etc. Will try to make it to meetings and subcommittee meetings.

10. New Business (moved to after public testimony to get ADF&F in-and-out)

Bristol Bay BOF Proposals – extended deliverable dates. Sub-committee typically reviews this, tonight different b/c interest in Bristol Bay in general. Move to adopt in this meeting to adopt a proposal.

- Paul Salomon (area biologist in Bristol Bay (Egegik and Ugashik) - 14 proposals to change the blue card drop date. Next grouping is permit stacking for drift or set. A few proposals to modify district markings, subsistence sport fish. Discount duplicates and non-commercial proposals, will be 40 proposals. 2009 Board meeting, proposal adopted to move from east side from June 1 – June 25 to compromise on pressure when years on limits, get fish to plants earlier. 2 of 5 years have been very early run, fleets advantage to be there. General district takes away selective fishing on stock and in geographic areas. Set net fleet and escapements are priority, managing is tricky. Every-other-day fishery captures first push of fish.
- Trevor – June 25, drifters and set netters can fish wherever they want on east side. Blue Cards? Allocations? Free week? Clarification on Proposal 31?
 - Paul Salomon
 - Anytime wanting to fish on eastside would have to register.
 - 86/14 allocations
 - Free week – transfer from A to B without having to register. Term has persisted through time. Commercial season opens June 1 through, passively manage it through use of a schedule, June 17 +/- a few days. When fish start to run heavy, actively manage openers, often making changes 2-3 times per day.
 - Open 5 days straight. Egegik gets every-other-day b/c of concerns over king salmon. Typically give 36 hours a week to Egegik.
 - 48 hours allows fleet to move around too rapidly.



- Ernie Weiss – clarification on fisherman taking fish from different districts and not reporting. Incentivized to move to different fisheries?
 - Paul Salomon - Fisherman don't always report. Messes with genetic analysis. Illegal to transport fish between districts. No enforcement. Just not seeing parent year coming back. ADF&G makes their #'s on escapement.

Proposal 31 – Kevin Taylor motion to adopt, Frank Neumann 2nd. Kevin Taylor read aloud to group.
Discussion (limited to 2 per person, 3 minutes total):

- Frank Neumann – action on 31, dismissing others?
 - Kevin Taylor – most simple one that covers that needs to be covered, take no action on the rest.
- Martin Weiser – incentives?
- Donald Sutherland – control of resource benefits all user groups. Supports motion.
- Trevor Rollman - ? about change in 2010 – adopted by BOF, any consideration for reasoning why it was put in place in the 1st place. Who is going to benefit this new decision?
 - Paul Salomon – brought final copy of staff comments. Read paragraph. Boas move between districts as boats get faster and more efficient.
- Gerold (Jerry) Gugel– need to consider getting high quality fish in Bristol Bay b/c they are less quality fish. Processing standpoint want early fish. Heart of fishery, get less quality of fish. Effort to get out early and grab earlier fish (premium). Late fish is also valuable. Moving fish between districts does not happen very often, small problem.
 - Paul Salomon – generally agree but have suspended transfer and volume of fish being transferred between districts can be great.
- Brett Barringer – to Paul Salomon: genetic diversity, Proposal 31 allow ADF&G to have tools to better manage? Most optimum proposal of all similar?
 - Paul Salomon –yes. Must maintain product quality and orderly fishery. Balance amount of fish and fishing time. ADF&G would be able to track it better. Proposal 31 best captured goal.

Call the question: in favor of proposal 31, unanimous 15 AC members approved (2 alternates voting), no AC members opposed.

Proposal 42: Trevor Rollman moves to adopt, Kevin Taylor. Trevor Rollman read aloud to group.
Discussion:

- Paul Salomon – mobile set net fleet encroachment. Want mobility within the Nushagak.
- Trevor Rollman – allows for more efficient harvest. East vs. west side of river 'hit' on different years. Would allow harvest of more fish when there are fish to harvest.
 - Paul Salomon – ADF&G would be neutral on this issue.
- Donald Sutherland - What is Dillingham AC supporting?
 - Paul Salomon – not certain.
- Neil DeWitt – can people go anywhere and fish?

- Paul Salomon – can move around, if they want to. Fewer people in Ugashik, not typical to move. Some folks with established sites may not like visitors coming in lessening # of fish they can catch.
- Ernie Weiss – approve moving forward
- Kevin Taylor – what % of permit holders in Bristol Bay live in Anchorage, valid to discuss.
 - Paul Salomon – not sure. But committee pick-and-choose what proposals they want to deal with.

Call the question: in favor of proposal 42, unanimous 9 AC members approved (2 alternates voting), 3 3 AC members opposed, 3 abstained.

11. Other New Business

1. Gerold (Jerry) Gugel – Stacking concerns, wasn't sure if AC should go through it.
2. Donald Sutherland – can voice concerns at BOF meeting as a public comment or written comment.
3. Robert (Bob) Mumford – Board of Fish. Retired AK Wildlife Trooper in Sand Point, Kodiak, Fairbanks, Coldfoot, and Kenai Peninsula. Pilot for 40-mile Air Service and Arctic Air Alaska. 95% of calls fielded are from Cook Inlet. Still must be confirmed, this cycle is still open.
 - Ernie Weiss – vote on moving BOF meeting to Kenai?
 - Mr. Mumford – voted yes on the idea of moving it. Wanted more discussion
 - Donald Sutherland – appreciate about bringing science to the Board (of Fish)
 - Joel Doner – Board support and process?
 - Mr. Mumford – some control over budget, some control over spending. Understand Board budget will be cut 5-10%.
 - Neil DeWitt – not confirmed, can you still vote?
 - Mr. Mumford – yes, in statutes that new, unconfirmed members are voters.
4. BOF UCI Meeting place
 - Kevin Taylor – why wouldn't the meeting be there?
 - Mr. Mumford – political pressure to have it in the Mat-Su or Anchorage. Mat-Su hasn't had a meeting in a long time. Legislators are getting involved. Animosity is harder to have on the Kenai Peninsula.
 - Joel Doner – BOF meeting for last 18 years in either Wasilla or Kenai, would you want a meeting in Anchorage (if roles are reversed). PWS and SE, Board has met in Valdez, Cordova, why wouldn't SC rotate between Mat-Su, Anchorage, and Kenai Peninsula? Rick mentioned meeting in different places gives Board opportunity to listen to everyone; would more points of view be heard if the Board were to travel? People who cannot travel are strapped.
 - Mr. Mumford – yes, can see reasons why. Mat-Su has same valid argument. Trying to see both sides of story. Could almost argue that Anchorage is more neutral.



- Try to move meetings. A lot of places do come with added costs, not as generous as the City of Kenai and Soldotna are.
 - Meeting locally is the best way possible. Under budget constraints, must make appropriate decision. There is a mix of commercial and sport fishermen in SC (Wasilla vs. Kenai). People still have AC's and written comments to voice concerns.
- Trevor Rollman – local people have advantage to be heard. More testimony of one issue vs. other (i.e. sport vs. commercial fishing). Anchorage may be neutral geographically and on fishing issues. Fairness – should rotate.
- Brett Barringer – utilize the teleconference system for the legislature?
 - Mr. Mumford – don't know if there is a way, but hasn't been done.
- Neil DeWitt – requested of Rick Cook and Glenn that a conference call be utilized for Board meetings. Rick Cook may be able to. Kenai is also having fish sub-committee work session where they will accept public comment; have a chance soon.
 - Mr. Mumford – has seen this at town hall meetings Board held (namely in Kotzebue), but wasn't under actual meeting. Worked really well.
- Rick Koch – hasn't been defined how this will work. Board 'may' take testimony. Doesn't see value in having people call in as they don't get the full flavor of the meeting.
- Martin Weiser – tremendous number of user groups in Kenai, thinks most would support meeting being in Kenai. We owe it to the people of Kenai that show them that the Anchorage AC supports them.
- Frank Neumann – the Anchorage AC serves the people on Anchorage, supports it staying in Anchorage.
- Neil DeWitt – agrees with Frank Neumann b/c Anchorage is a neutral, easy meeting place. More commercial fisherman there than anyone else.
- Donald Sutherland – attended several Board sessions, see special interest groups there. Will go no matter what. Hasn't seen general public from either Mat-Su or Kenai. If we move to Kenai, would like to further discussion in years ahead to rotate it between meetings. Would like to see this meeting take place out of Anchorage to be able to hear from everyone. Board would be surprised of diversity. In favor of motion.
- Brett Barringer – sees both sides, but money aspect makes sense to move to Kenai.
- Phillip Calhoun – BOF should research any meeting venue prior to spending. Other considerations besides monetary reason. More people in Anchorage fish the Kenai than people in Kenai fish the Kenai. Voting against.
- Joel Donner – Rotating schedule must happen. Have opportunity to write letter to Board if AC wishes stating we approve rotating meeting schedule. Comment deadline is on November 19th.
- Ernie Weiss – appreciate motion, wants to be advocate for City of Anchorage and also to State of Alaska. Supports motion.



Martin Weiser made motion to support BOF meeting to be in Kenai Peninsula in 2017. Donald Sutherland seconded. Question called: 12 approved, 3 opposed.

Neil DeWitt motions to support rotating BOF meeting schedule, Ernie Weiss seconds motion. Call to question: ask Board for rotating cycle between 3 Southcentral communities: 9 approved, 1 opposed, and 5 abstained.

Neil DeWitt motions to write a letter to the Board of Fish to support rotating cycle, Trevor Rollman seconded. Call to question: 14 approved, 1 opposed.

(Norm Stadem (1 opposed) – concerned that Bristol Bay and other areas that are vying for attention.)

Letter Notes & Substance:

- 2017 meeting in Kenai Peninsula
 - Financials
 - Fairness
 - Fairness to other areas, Wasilla, Anchorage, Kenai
- Rotating schedule in SC communities
- Joel Doner will construct letter
 - Submit as quickly as possible to Board, quicker the more impact it will have.
- Want it in prior to BOF meeting

12. Committee Reports

Game Subcommittee:

- Frank Neumann (Chair)
- Dwight
- Jim Bolgiano
- Phillip Calhoun
- Neil DeWitt

Fish Subcommittee:

- Joel Doner
- Kevin Taylor
- Donald Suterland
- Brian Nelson
- Trevor Rollman

- Game Chair-Frank Neumann: Wants AC thoughts on sheep working group. Working group meeting will be the following meeting. Bret Barringer is on sheep working group for Safari Club, would also appreciate input from AC.



- Fish Chair-Joel Doner: No new business to report. Joel will be attending Bristol Bay meeting and will give testimony to the BOF.

13. Old Business – No old business to discuss.

Next meeting time; Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at the William Hernandez Hatchery located at 941 Reeve Blvd

14. Adjourn – 9:35pm, November 3, 2015.





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November 10, 2015

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Board of Fisheries

Chairman Kluberton and Board members,

The Central Peninsula Fish and Game Advisory Committee, once again, request that the Board, at the December 2015 meeting, decide to hold the entire 2017 Upper Cook Inlet finfish meeting in the Kenai / Soldotna area. There has not been an Upper Cook Inlet BOF meeting on the Kenai Peninsula for 16 years. For years the 2017 Upper Cook Inlet BOF finfish meeting being held in the Kenai / Soldotna area has been the overwhelming request by local Peninsula governments, fishing groups and individuals. The BOF has received more request on this issue and for this venue than for any other BOF meeting or from any other area in the State, including Anchorage and the MatSu Valley.

Past BOF meetings for Upper Cook Inlet finfish held in Anchorage have had relatively small attendance from Anchorage and the MatSu compared to a vast and frankly overwhelming attendance from Kenai Peninsula residents.

Many Peninsula Advisory Committee members would like to but, have never been able to attend an Upper Cook Inlet BOF meeting because the meetings have been held in Anchorage for the last 16 years.

The City of Kenai has generously offered the Board in kind services to the amount of \$60,000 if the BOF meets in Kenai for the entire 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Finfish meeting. With the current budget deficient and dire financial situation of the State and Board Support and the overwhelming support from the Kenai Peninsula it would seem irrational not to accept the City of Kenai's offer and hold the Upper Cook Inlet finfish meeting in Kenai.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Martin".

David Martin, Chairman





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November 18th, 2015

Alaska Department of Fish and Game
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Alaska Board of Fisheries Chairman and Members,

The Mat Valley Fish and Game Advisory Committee would like to express its support for the 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Board of Fisheries meeting being held in Anchorage.

AC members believe Anchorage is the most neutral location that supports participation from various stakeholders. Anchorage is an ideal location because of its convenient travel, and ample lodging options. AC members believe Anchorage is the most fiscally responsible location for a meeting of this magnitude, considering the additional expenses spared in moving the meeting to Kenai.

We respectfully urge you to vote in support of holding the 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Board of Fisheries Meeting in Anchorage.

Sincerely,

Jehnifer Ehmann, Chair
Mat Valley Fish and Game AC



Lake Iliamna Fish and Game Advisory Committee
November 26, 2015
Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order: Randy Alvarez - 11:40am, 10-26-15
- II. Roll Call:
Members Present: Joel Jacko, Elijah Eknaty, Tim Anelon, Tinny Hedlund, Randy Alvarez, George Alexie, Billy Trefon, Lyle Wilder
Members Absent: Jim Tilly, Greg Anelon
Number Needed For Quorum on AC: 6
- III. Approval of Agenda: Tinny moves, Lyle seconds
- IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: From meeting date:
- V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Travis Lons, Travis Elison
- VI. Guests Present: Several by teleconference - sorry spelling may be incorrect - Molly Dishner, Ian Fo, Jason Dye (sport Fish), Gean Sandon, Gala Hoseth, Courtney Carty, Nancy Marfly
- VII. Old Business: none
- VIII. New Business: Comments on Proposals to follow



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ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

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BOG or BOF	Proposal Number	Proposal Description	
Supports or Opposes?	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments/Discussion (list Pros and Cons)/Amendments to Proposal
BOF	22	move the cinder river, inner port heiden sections of the northern district from the alaska peninsula area to the bristol bay area	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	8	0	large intercept fishery that should be managed in conjunction with the bristol bay escapement goals and values
BOF	24	move all waters of the northern district east of the latitude of cape seniavin from the alaska peninsula area to the bristol bay area	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	8	0	
BOF	25	Expand district boundary lines.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	Elevated interception levels,
BOF	26	Create new general fishing sections that are in effect following achievement of escapement goals, or July 17, until July 27.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	



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BOF	27	Require that a CFEC permit holder's name displayed on a set gillnet site marking sign complies with the same character size marking requirements for permit numbers. <i>(This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)</i>	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	
BOF	29	Allow a set gillnet permit holder to operate and deploy gillnet gear seaward of the permit holder's own set gillnet, and within the permit holder's setnet site.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	8	0	
BOF	30	Change the description of set gillnet exemptions that allow operations where beaches at mean low tide are not connected to either exposed land or land not covered at high tide, by deleting references to regulatory markers.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			no action due to 31
BOF	31	Change the area registration requirements to require district registration prior to fishing in a district in Bristol Bay.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	7	1	Opted to vote on 31 as most favorable of 30,31,32,35,37,41 due to similar proposals. felt that earlier registration for districts would encourage drifters to decide earlier where they were going to be for the season, Lyle opposed the idea



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BOF	32	Change the area registration date requirement for the Bristol Bay commercial salmon fishery.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			see 31
BOF	35	Require drift gillnet operations to register the day of fishing during emergency order periods.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			see 31
BOF	37	Change the area registration date requirement from June 25 to June 1 for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts for the drift gillnet fleet.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			see 31
BOF	41	Change the area registration requirement for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts by removing the June 25 start date.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			see 31
BOF	42	Allow set gillnet operators to transfer within the Nushagak statistical areas without the 48-hour time requirement.	



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Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			no comment
BOF	44	Modify Togiak District registration restriction requirements that apply until July 27 to include a fishing vessel.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			no comment
BOF	45	Reauthorize Bristol Bay set gillnet permit stacking.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	permit stacking on set net sites is unfair to the people up and down stream of their neighbors as a drifter can move.
BOF	46	Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	permit stacking on set net sites is unfair to the people up and down stream of their neighbors as a drifter can move.
BOF	47	Permit stacking	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	permit stacking on set net sites is unfair to the people up and down stream of their neighbors as a drifter can move.



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BOF	48	Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations in the Bristol Bay Area.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	permit stacking on set net sites is unfair to the people up and down stream of their neighbors as a drifter can move.
BOF	49		
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	permit stacking on set net sites is unfair to the people up and down stream of their neighbors as a drifter can move.
BOF	50	Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations in the Egegik District.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	permit stacking on set net sites is unfair to the people up and down stream of their neighbors as a drifter can move.
BOF	51	Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	Moving the industry in the wrong direction, limited entry was designed for a reason to keep the permits in individuals hands, do not want incremental steps backwards
BOF	52	Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay and the operation of 200 fathoms of drift gillnet gear from a vessel with an individual holding two drift gillnet permits.	



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BOF	53	Increase the amount of drift gillnet gear allowed when two permit holders are jointly operating.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	Not a healthy solution for the bay
BOF	54	Close by the Egegik District Special Harvest Area to commercial salmon fishing for five days during times of high intercept fishing.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	too ambiguous, no time or restrictions on when where and how the move is to happen
BOF	55	Modify set gillnet operations in the Ugashik District.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			no action
BOF	56	Create an inriver Alagnak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	8	0	If a means to harvest the resource responsibly can be managed then it should be tried
BOF	57	Create an inriver Kvichak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.	



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Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	the outer river boundaries do a good job of killing salmon when they are opened and letting different parts of the run through is important for the genetics up stream
BOF	58	Expand the boundaries of the Naknek Section of the Naknek-Kvichak District.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	4	4	moving the boundary out would provide for better fishing of the west line in the Naknek with current changes. some discussion on how the expansion of the boundary would increase interception effecting escapement and allocation
BOF	59	Revise boundaries of closed waters at Graveyard Point in the Naknek-Kvichak District.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	7	Discussion on how the boundaries have some variance from the loran days and now GPS has come and possibly moved the boundary. Didn't feel it was possible that it would have moved that much and erosion is more the culprit for the issue. Lyle abstained from voting
BOF	60	Create a special harvest area in the Graveyard Creek area.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	
BOF	78	Change the boundaries, methods of harvest, and seasons for subsistence harvests of sockeye salmon in the Naknek River drainage.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	8	0	need to align state and federal regs



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BOF	79		Eliminate subsistence fishing period for the Naknek, Egegik, and Ugashik Rivers to allow subsistence salmon fishery to occur any time.
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	8	0	felt this would be wise as subsistence should be the priority
BOF	80		Re-describe the subsistence fishing area in the Nushagak District that is restricted to three days per week by removing references to regulatory markers.
BOF	83		Allow the traditional harvest of whitefish and non-salmon subsistence fish in specific waters of the Newhalen River.
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	support as amended - 8	0	Make an exemption to people under the age of 16 can fish as specified
BOF	84		Establish non-retention king salmon sport fishing in the Big Creek drainage of the Naknek River drainage.
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			no comment at this time
BOF	85		Redefine the sport fishing boundary description for non-retention of king salmon in the Big Creek drainage.
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			no comment at this time



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BOF	86	Implement a mail-in requirement for all king salmon harvest tickets in Bristol Bay sport fisheries.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action			no comment at this time
BOF	87	Eliminate the use of egg-simulating lures in rainbow trout fishing.	
Support Support as Amended Oppose No Action	0	8	not necessary and would remove a majority of lures that are effective for the sport industry

Old Business:
Adjournment:

Minutes Recorded By: Lyle Wilder
 Minutes Approved By: Randy Alvarez
 Date: 11/10/15



Lower Bristol Bay Fish and Game A.C.

9/28/15

Teleconference

- I. Call to Order: Time by Mitch Seybert 12:35

- II. Roll Call:
List of all members
 - 1) Mitch Seybert, Chair, Pilot Point, 12/2015
 - 2) Eddie Clark, Vice Chair, Undesignated-Naknek, term expired 12/2014
 - 3) Hattie Albecker, Undesignated-Ugashik, term expired 12/2014
 - 4) Eric Beeman, Egegik, term expired 12/2014
 - 5) Roland Briggs, Ugashik, 12/2015
 - 6) Tom Bursch, Undesignated-Homer, 06/2017
 - 7) Emil Christiansen, Port Heiden, term expired 12/2014
 - 8) John Christiansen, Port Heiden, 06/2017
 - 9) Bob Dreezen, Undesignated-Ugashik, term expired 12/2014
 - 10) Timothy Enright, Ugashik, 12/2015
 - 11) Gerda Kosbruk, Port Heiden, 12/2015
 - 12) Mark Kosbruk, Undesignated-Port Heiden, 06/2017
 - 13) Myra Olsen, Egegik, 12/2015
 - 14) Kim Rice, Undesignated-Girdwood, 06/2017
 - 15) Tracy Vrem, Undesignated-Chugiak, 06/2017

Members Present: Mitch Sybert, Myra Olsen, Roland Briggs, Tim Enright, Gerda Kosbruk, Mark Kosbruk, Kim Rice, John Christinsen, Eric Beeman; Hattie Albecker.

Members Absent: Robert Dreeszen (excused for medical reason); Eddie Clark, Emil Christiansen, Tom Bursch, Tracy Vrem.

Number Needed For Quorum on AC: 8

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- III. Approval of Agenda: Myra moves to approve agenda, Hattie 2nds, Unanimous approval.
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- IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes from 1/27/2015 meeting and 4/6/15 Meeting:
Myra Moves to approve minutes, Mark Kosbruk 2nds, no discussion, unanimous approval Click here to enter text

- V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Bob Murphy & Travis Ellison, Com-Fish, Taryn O'Connor-Brito and Kristy Tibbles, Board Support.
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- VI. Guests: Victoria Briggs, Courtenay Carty & Gayla Hoseth, BBNA, Chuck McCallum, Lake and Peninsula Borough.
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- VII. Elections for 3 undesignated seats previously held by Hattie Albecker, Bob Dreeszen, and Eric Beeman:

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Hattie states that she will not run again
Myra Olson nominates Charles Oblama
Hattie Albecker nominates Maurice "Mike" Enright
Roland Briggs nominates Bob Dreeszen
Tim Enright nominates Gus Lamero
Eric Beeman nominates himself

Election Results:
Charles Oblama Replaces Bob Dreeszen
Maurice "Mike" Enright replaces Hattie Albecker
Eric Beeman is re-elected

AC Members seated in attendance after election:
Myra Olson, Roland Briggs, Mitch seybert, Tim Enright, Gerda Kosbruk, Mark Kosbruk, Kim Rice, John Christiansen, and Eric Beeman (9 total which satisfied quorum).

- VIII. Elections For Officer Positon of Secretary:
Mitch Seybert Nominates Myra Olson
Myra is elected secretary with Unanimous support of the committee
- IX. Staff Reports:
Travis Ellison Com-Fish presents a short Bristol Bay season summary
Bob Murphy Com-Fish presents a short Area M season summary
- X. New Business: Comments on Proposals for the Bristol Bay Fin Fish Meeting:

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BOG or BOF	Propo s a l N u m b e r	Proposal Description	
Supports or Opposes?	Number Support	Numbe r O p p o s e	Comments/Discussion (list Pros and Cons)/Amendments to Proposal
			(Note that Proposals 22-24 are taken up at the end)
BOF	25	Expand district boundary lines.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose	0	9	Roland moves to adopt and Eric seconds. Roland comments that he would have a tough time with moving the Egegik line south. Eric says that he likes the terminal nature of the current regulations and opposes this. Mitch notes that things are working good now and we don't need this. All Oppose.
BOF	26	Create new general fishing sections that are in effect following achievement of escapement goals, or July 17, until July 27.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose	0	9	Myra moves to adopt; Roland seconds. Roland is not in favor and notes that Ugashik would be at a disadvantage because of it's later run timing – a lot of fishing is still going on then. Roland notes that there could be some advantage to spreading out the fleet but he would have to hear a lot more before he could approve. Myra says that general district fishing is bad for the resource. Gerda calls the question. All oppose.
BOF	27	Require that a CFEC permit holder's name displayed on a set gillnet site marking sign complies with the same character size marking requirements for permit numbers. (This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose	0	9	Roland moves to adopt 27 & 28 (as basically the same) and Myra seconds. Roland pointed out that this has come up several cycles and always fails. Mitch says that it is too picky and not needed. Fails with all opposed.
BOF	28	Change the character size requirements for set gillnet marking signs. (This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose	0	9	See action on proposal 27
BOF	29	Allow a set gillnet permit holder to operate and deploy gillnet gear seaward of the permit holder's own set gillnet, and within the permit holder's setnet site.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support	9	0	Gerda moves to adopt and Mark seconds. It is noted that this is common practice and accepted. It seems that a new sergeant is reinterpreting something that as been interpreted differently by multiple sergeants going back to the sixties. Victoria notes that it is good for safety. Mitch says he views this as 'cleanup' and is in favor of it as written. Roland called the question and all were in favor.



BOF	30	Change the description of set gillnet exemptions that allow operations where beaches at mean low tide are not connected to either exposed land or land not covered at high tide, by deleting references to regulatory markers.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Roland moves for no action and Myra seconds. Myra comments that it is out of our districts and does not affect us.
BOF	220	Prohibit net barges, floating processors, tenders, and hard fixed buoys in waters of the Egegik District during open drift gillnet fishing periods.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	221	Prohibit tenders, fish buyers, and fish transport vessels from anchoring within 1,500 feet of set gillnet sites.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	31	Change the area registration requirements to require district registration prior to fishing in a district in Bristol Bay.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support	9	0	Roland moves to adopt, Gerda seconds. This was submitted by the Lower Bristol Bay AC. Mitch notes that without this that Egegik is at a disadvantage. Egegik doesn't want a big mobile fleet and there is a danger that fishermen could bring fish back and forth which could mess up the genetics. Roland notes that the idea is to get people to fish early but it has caused other problems and has not worked as intended. All in favor.
BOF	32	Change the area registration date requirement for the Bristol Bay commercial salmon fishery.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Roland moves no action on 32, 35, 37, 41 based on action taken on proposal 31. Eric seconds. All in favor.
BOF	33	Change the area registration date requirement for the Bristol Bay commercial salmon fishery.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	9	0	Roland moves for no action based on AC action on #31. Myra seconds. All in favor.
BOF	34	Reduce the required waiting period when registering for a new district from 48 hours to 12 hours.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	0	9	Roland moves to adopt and John seconds to adopt. Myra opposes and notes that this basically does away with the waiting period. Victoria strongly challenges the claim that processors don't need the waiting period because they can't move the tender fleet quickly enough for 12 hours. Roland notes that the 48 hours is to protect local fleets and that the department can waive it if needed - it keeps the fleet stable. All opposed.
BOF	35	Require drift gillnet operations to register the day of fishing during emergency order periods.	

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	[See Action on Proposal 32 to take no action on 32, 35, 37, 41 based on action taken on proposal 31]
BOF	36	Change the registration requirement for commercial salmon fishing in the Egegik District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	9	0	Roland moves for no action re action on 31 and is seconded by Myra. All were opposed.
BOF	37	Change the area registration date requirement from June 25 to June 1 for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts for the drift gillnet fleet.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text [See Action on Proposal 32 to take on 32, 35, 37, 41 based on action taken on proposal 31]
BOF	38	Change registration requirements for fisheries under emergency order conditions and change the registration date for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts from June 25 to June 18.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Myra moves for no action on proposals 38 – 40 as not affecting us.
BOF	39	For the Naknek-Kvichak District, eliminate the registration date of June 25, and require registration only before fishing in the district.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Out of area
BOF	40	Change the drift gillnet registration date in the Naknek-Kvichak District from June 25 to June 17.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Myra motion roland second no action on 42 and 43 does not pertain to us.
BOF	41	Change the area registration requirement for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts by removing the June 25 start date.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text [See Action on Proposal 32 to take on 32, 35, 37, 41 based on action taken on proposal 31]
BOF	42	Allow set gillnet operators to transfer within the Nushagak statistical areas without the 48-hour time requirement.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Out of area
BOF	43	Repeal set gillnet reregistration requirement for statistical areas within the Nushagak District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to	Click here to	Out of area

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BOF	44	Modify Togiak District registration restriction requirements that apply until July 27 to include a fishing vessel.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	9	0	Mitch asks for unanimous consent for no action due to being an out of district proposal. The AC unanimously approves no action.
BOF	45	Reauthorize Bristol Bay set gillnet permit stacking.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support	8	1	Roland moves to adopt and Mark seconds. Eric describes the difficulty his set netting family had in dealing with sick transfers and trying to support three generations flexibly to have viability to operate. Roland called the question and the proposal passed eight in favor and one against.
BOF	46	Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	9	0	Motion for no action on 45, 48, 50 based on the action on #45; Second by Mark. Vote was unanimous for no action.
BOF	47	Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations and up to one and one-half the current legal limit of gear for one permit to be operated when permit stacking.	
No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Myra moves for no action on 47 and 49 based on previous action; Roland seconds. Unanimous for no action.
BOF	48	Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations in the Bristol Bay Area.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	49	Allow two set gillnet permit holders to jointly operate with up to 75 fathoms of set gillnet gear and require both permit numbers on identification sign.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	See Action on Proposal 47
BOF	50	Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations in the Egegik District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	See action on Proposal 46
BOF	51	Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support	5	2	Myra moves to bring proposals 51 and 52 to the table. Roland seconds. Mitch says that he sees pro's and cons – if everyone had two permits then good but a local guy might have a harder time. Roland points out that for a lot of guys the second permit is in a kids name and that is how many people are doing it. Myra is opposed. Kim says I love fishing but can't afford a second and it hurts to have 200 fathoms in front of you. Most of the permits in it outside names, keeping them from locals with this even more will be kept from locals. Roland calls the question: 5 yes, 2 no, 1 abstain, 1 temporarily absent.

BOF	52	Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay and the operation of 200 fathoms of drift gillnet gear from a vessel with an individual holding two drift gillnet permits.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	See action taken on proposal 51
BOF	53	Increase the amount of drift gillnet gear allowed when two permit holders are jointly operating.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose	0	8	Myra moves to adopt; seconded by Roland.
BOF	54	Close by the Egegik District Special Harvest Area to commercial salmon fishing for five days during times of high intercept fishing.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose	0	8	Gerda moves to adopt. Myra seconds. Roland comments that this proposals is completely unworkable – Management does a good job and this ties their hands. Myra agrees and notes that the City of Egegik is strongly opposed. It is unenforceable. All oppose.
BOF	55	Modify set gillnet operations in the Ugashik District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	8	0	Myra moves no action, Roland seconds. This proposal is basically Identical to what it was before and committee approved. Victoria comments that this may not come before the board in this form. There will be legal action that will affect it. Hattie says it seems to be working fine as is. Eric says he can see both sides and that no action is wisest choice. All in favor of no action.
BOF	56	Create an inriver Alagnak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	57	Create an inriver Kvichak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	58	Expand the boundaries of the Naknek Section of the Naknek-Kvichak District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	59	Revise boundaries of closed waters at Graveyard Point in the Naknek-Kvichak District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	60	Create a special harvest area in the Graveyard Creek area.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text

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BOF	61	Increase the minimum distance drift gillnet operations must maintain from a set gillnet operation in the Nushagak District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	62	Increase the minimum distance drift gillnet operations must maintain from a set gillnet operation in the Nushagak District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	63	Change the seaward minimum distance between set gillnet gear in the Clark's Point area in the Nushagak District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	64	Increase fishing time for drift gillnet gear during incoming tides in the Nushagak District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	65	In the Nushagak District repeal emergency order authority to limit gillnet mesh to not exceed four and three-quarters inches.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	66	Amend the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to establish a fixed escapement goal, change the fishery start date, and repeal language pertaining to pink salmon escapement.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	67	Change the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to reflect changes in escapement goals that have previously been implemented.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	219	Address allocation impacts that may come from potential changes in escapement goals and trigger points in the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text



BOF	68	Repeal Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	69	Amend the Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan to eliminate management based on Nushagak District drift and set gillnet gear allocations.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	70	Modify the Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan to open separate drift and set gillnet fishing periods based on achievement of gear allocation instead of a fixed seasonal fishing period ratio.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	71	Update the description of the Wood River Special Harvest Area by deleting references to regulatory markers.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	72	Change the description of statistical areas in the Nushagak District by deleting references to department regulatory markers, and renaming the Nushagak Statistical Area.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	73	Redefine the description of the Nushagak District and the Igushik Section in the Nushagak District by deleting references to department regulatory markers.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	74	Redefine the description of closed waters for salmon in the Snake River in the Nushagak District by deleting a reference to department regulatory markers.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	75	Reduce the amount of time that certain waters in the Togiak District are closed to commercial fishing for salmon with a drift gillnet.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text



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BOF	76	Change the current description of the Osviak Section in the Togiak District by correcting a GPS coordinate in the description.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	77	Change the Togiak District Salmon Management Plan to reflect recent department escapement goal changes, and remove coho and king salmon goals.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	78	Change the boundaries, methods of harvest, and seasons for subsistence harvests of sockeye salmon in the Naknek River drainage.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	79	Eliminate subsistence fishing period for the Naknek, Egegik, and Ugashik Rivers to allow subsistence salmon fishery to occur any time.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose	0	8	Mark moves to adopt and Myra seconds. Myra notes that this would be impossible to enforce. All opposed.
BOF	80	Re-describe the subsistence fishing area in the Nushagak District that is restricted to three days per week by removing references to regulatory markers.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	81	Define subsistence fishing boundaries so that the 10 fathom net restriction applies to Dillingham beaches and the 25 fathom net length restriction applies elsewhere, and remove reference to department regulatory markers.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	82	Establish and adopt amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence uses for herring spawn on kelp in waters of the Togiak District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	83	Allow the traditional harvest of whitefish and non-salmon subsistence fish in specific waters of the Newhalen River.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text

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BOF	84	Establish non-retention king salmon sport fishing in the Big Creek drainage of the Naknek River drainage.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	85	Redefine the sport fishing boundary description for non-retention of king salmon in the Big Creek drainage.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	86	Implement a mail-in requirement for all king salmon harvest tickets in Bristol Bay sport fisheries.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	87	Eliminate the use of egg-simulating lures in rainbow trout fishing.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	88	Change the regulatory description for herring purse seine and hand purse seine.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	89	Delete references to sac roe in the Bristol Bay Herring Management Plan.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	90	Change the management plan to allow the department to waive the catch allocation requirement for gillnet and purse seine fleets.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	91	Redefine the description of closed waters for the Togiak herring fishery by deleting references to department regulatory markers.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text
BOF	22	Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support	9	0	Myra moves to adopt, Roland seconds. All vote in favor.

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BOF	23	Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support	Click here to enter text	Click here to enter text	Support based on action on #22
BOF	24	Move all waters of the Northern District east of the latitude of Cape Seniavin from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oppose	0	9	Gerda moves to adopt and John seconds. This proposal goes too far.

Old Business: none
Adjournment: 2:30

Minutes Recorded By: L.P.B Chuck Macalim
Minutes Approved By: L.B.B.A.C. all in favor
Date: nov.19/2015

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Re: Recommendation to hold the 2017 Board of Fisheries Upper Cook Inlet meeting in the Kenai area on the Kenai Peninsula.

Board of Fisheries

The Anchorage Advisory Committee began the discussion of moving the location of the 2017 Upper Cook Inlet Board of Fisheries meeting from Anchorage to the Kenai area of the Kenai Peninsula with a review of Governor Walker's letter of October 21, 2015 recommending the change in venue for the meeting. In his letter the Governor correctly noted that it will have been 18 years since a meeting was held in the area where much of the fishing takes place. He also makes reference to this being a fairness issue, and that as a courtesy to those who live, work, and fish on the Peninsula; there should be an opportunity to participate in a Board of Fisheries meeting close to home, on some occasion.

During discussions, the committee came to the conclusion there are two key reasons for changing the location of the meeting. First, there is a financial issue, of not only costs to fishermen and other stakeholders, wherever the meeting, but to the State of Alaska. During public testimony a representative of the City of Kenai, on behalf of Mayor Navarre of the Kenai Peninsula Borough, offered to provide the Soldotna Sports Center facility for the duration of the meeting. The Mayor is also offering complimentary coffee and tea service for the meetings. As an alternative, the Mayor of the City of Kenai is offering the Kenai High School Auditorium and the adjoining Challenger Center for breakout sessions. It is reliably estimated that the Borough and City financial commitments would save the State approximately \$65,000 in meeting room fees. Considering that substantial budget cuts are looming, this seems to the AAC to be no small thing.



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The second key reason is the fairness issue mentioned by Governor Walker. While Anchorage may be a convenient location for some, it certainly is not for others. For example, thousands of people commute from the Mat/Su Valley to Anchorage for work on a daily basis. Yet very few do so from the Kenai Peninsula. It is time to provide local Peninsula residents a convenient opportunity to participate in the UCI meetings.

The Anchorage Advisory Committee strongly feels the Board of Fish should use the proposed change of venue as an opportunity to create a rotating three year cycle, which will allow for alternating meeting locations between the Kenai area, Anchorage and the Mat/Su Valley. This will institutionalize fairness and give the Board valuable input from all areas of the Southcentral Region.

Best regards,

Joel Doner, Chairman
Anchorage ADF&G Advisory Committee

cc: Governor Bill Walker
Lt. Governor Byron Mallott
Kevin Meyer President of the Alaska State Senate
Mike Chenault, Speaker of the House



**Nushagak Advisory Committee
October 20 & 21, 2015
Dillingham City Council Chambers**

I. Call to Order: 12:34 PM By Chairman Frank Woods.

II. Roll Call:

Members Present: Frank Woods, Chair, Gayla Hoseth, Joe Chythlook (vice Chair) , Lloyd (Tom) O'Connor, Dan Dunaway Secretary , Curt Armstrong, Dennis Andrew, Travis Ball, Glen Wysoki (arr 1:05 pm), Jonathan Forsling (by phone) , Mariano Floresta, Steve Perkins (alt), Jim Woolington (phone) .

Members Absent: Manokotak rep, Luki Akelkok (Ekwok), Chris Carr (Portage), Chris Strub (alt).

Number Needed For Quorum: 8

Full Member list: Attached at the back of these minutes is a list of all members, the seat they occupy, community of residence, and term expiration date.

List of User Groups Present: In the meeting on or the AC?

On the AC and in the public attending, most people identify with more than one of the following groups with nearly 100% being subsistence users as well as members other user groups. In no particular order:

- Subsistence fishing and hunting
- Commercial Drift
- Commercial Set
- Trapping
- Sport fishing
- Sport Fishing guide
- Big game guide
- Air Taxi
- BBEDC represented by Gene Sandone by phone

Alternate Steve Perkins was seated with the committed given absences. A quorum was declared.

III. Approval of Agenda:

Joe C. Moved to adopt, Travis B. 2nd.

There was a discussion on when to meet to prepare for the Board of Game - consensus was later by teleconference.

Dennis A. asked to add an item IV under new business to discuss CDQ Boundaries.

Gayla H. asked to add a line Public Comments to Agenda after Elections. AC agreed by consensus noting usually for these meetings, public members are encouraged and allowed to participated in discussions, especially proposals.

Tom O. expressed concern for several meetings without a Manokotak representative - consensus was to add Item V under New Business titled Vacancies on AC.



Dennis A. asked the meeting be run on an "Open Agenda" - consensus the flexibility is needed.

Agenda adopted unanimously with modifications discussed above.

IV. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: From March 20, 2015:**

Joe C Moved to adopt, Dan D 2nd.

Dan D. said he'd found a deficiency in the minutes on Page 9 regarding the motion by Jon Forsling (Togiak rep) for the Nush AC to develop a proposal for super-exclusive vessel registration in the Togiak District. The minutes on the motion might seem a little out of place and inconsistent with the format of the rest of the minutes. Dan wanted to make clear that Jon had moved, Gayla 2nd and the motion failed (1Y, 8 N, 1A). But only because the Nush AC felt the proposal should come from the Togiak AC; several Nush AC members had said they support the concept but wanted the Togiak AC to take the lead.

AC members by consensus felt the issue was duly noted.

Minutes adopted Unanimously.

V. **Fish and Game Staff Present:**

Tim Sands, Matt Jones ADFG Com Fish
Jason Dye, Ian Fo Sport Fish
Ted Krieg, Subsistence
Taryn Brito, Boards.

VI. **State Trooper Wildlife:**

Scott Quist, King Salmon by phone for proposal 29.

VII. **Guests Present:**

See sign in sheet collected by Boards.
As noted earlier: BBEDC represented by Gene Sandone participated by phone.
Kevin McCambly, set netter participated by phone
Laura Zimin by phone

VIII. **Introductions:**

All people present gave their name and a brief introduction (usually just community of residence) starting with the AC members present.

IX. **Elections:**

Brito noted that Manokotak has been contacted several times encouraging them to elect a representative to the AC. No word at the time of the meeting.
She also noted that Travis Ball had been recently elected to again represent Aleknagik.

And the term of alternate Steve Perkins was expired requiring an election at this meeting to fill the seat which will expired June 2016:

Frank Woods turned the chair over to Taryn to conduct the election.

Taryn opened nominations.

Dan D nominated Steve Perkins



Jennifer Skarada nominated David (Opie) Hilley from the floor.

Nominations were closed, Brito distributed, collected and counted ballots.

Perkins - 14

Hilley 9

Perkins remained seated with the AC for the duration of the meeting.

Chair returned to Frank Woods who thanked other candidate for being willing to serve.

X. **Public Comments:**

Gene Sandone for BBEDC said he was participating as a resource and was ready to provide that agency's draft comments on selected proposals.

XI. **ADFG Staff Updates:**

Chair invited ADFG leadership to give brief season summaries and other information.

Tim Sands, com fish handed out the season summaries for the 2015 Salmon and Herring fisheries; outlined management of the Nushagak salmon management, and enumeration programs. The run came in very late; above forecast at 5.77 million sockeye.

Commercial: Sands described the BOF process that resulted in delayed opening the Togiak salmon district to fishers from other districts until August 5.

There was a discussion of climate change; Sands no obviously unusual animals or other stuff known to show up in the bay.

Funding is grim. Expect Togiak and Igushik towers to be cut; all herring funding cut, sonar cut after reds (no coho count for management). Igushik might be easier to adjust to than Togiak due to the remoteness of Togiak. Sport Fish can't just move funds to help given the Federal funds and regulations for them. Extensive discussion of funding. Some suggest seeking private funds to help with towers. Potential for video counting in the future but techniques are "not there yet".

Gayla asked if our letter to the Commissioner regarding funding was ever answered. NO. The letter was sent just as we were transitioning to the new commissioner. There was a discussion of cuts to Com fish in recent years, steady decrease in staff, duration of projects or total cuts of some projects.

One person noted that recent strong fall fisheries for humpies and cohos should have produced raw fish taxes well in excess of costs of fall management programs : "Its really dumb to cut towers first and live local data collection essential to management of these valuable, tax producing resources."

New Com Fish Director Scott Kelley starts work Oct 21.

Sport Fish: Ian Fo, gave a brief outline of the sport fisheries and projects. Kings were ok, not great but good (Nushagak and Bay-wide). 98K estimated passed the sonar, so no in-season restrictions or liberalizations done. The Mark recapture project went well. Coho fishing was



good Bay-wide, no Nushagak Sonar though. There seems to be a small shift from guided to unguided fishing in recent seasons.

Several members of the AC expressed their ongoing discomfort that Sport Fishing catch and harvest data is not available to use for 1 to 2 years later. This is a perennial issue.

Gayla moved that the AC should prepare questions and present them to ADFG well before these meetings to help them come prepared to answer.

Subsistence: Ted Krieg very briefly outlined their activities and appealed to all to turn in their salmon permits ASAP so the data can be compiled.

BREAK 1:40 PM

RESUME MEETING 1:56 PM

Dennis Andrew asked to withdraw his agenda item IV "as this is not the time to discuss BBEDC boundaries."

Committee agrees by consensus.

BBEDC offered to help committee work through the proposals.

Joe C. noted the proposal book is organized by the log numbers and suggested we start with proposal 22.

Addressed proposals 22- 41 see table.

Tabled 29 until FWP and Proposer could be put on the phone.

BREAK Lunch 3:50 PM

RESUME MEETING 4:00 PM

FWP Quist and Proposer of 29 (Zimin) on the phone.

Proposal 29 discussion resumed.

Worked thru proposal 42 and recess for the night.

Break for Night 5:30 PM to resume 9 AM tomorrow.

October 21, 2015

Meeting Resumed 9:03 AM

XII. **Roll Call Second Day:**



Members Present: Frank Woods, Chair, Gayla Hoseth, Joe Chythlook (vice Chair) , Lloyd (Tom) O'Connor, Dan Dunaway Secretary , Curt Armstrong, Dennis Andrew, Travis Ball, Glen Wysoki, Jonathan Forsling (by phone 9:15) , Mariano Floresta, Steve Perkins (alt), Jim Woolington (phone 9:15) .

At some unknown time in the day Woolington dropped out of the meeting.

XIII. **Members Absent:** Manokotak rep, Luki Akelkok (Ekwok), Chris Carr (Portage), Chris Strub (alt).

Began with proposal 43.

Worked through proposal 53 - in several cases 2 or more proposals were taken together.

BREAK 10:40 AM

RESUME MEETING 10:53 AM

Addressed proposals 54 to 63 some with very long discussions.

BREAK for Lunch 12:25 PM

RESUME MEETING 1:03 PM

Continue very long discussion of 63 and 64

BREAK 2:50 PM

RESUME MEETING 3:11 PM

worked through remaining fish proposals to 90.

XIII. Establish Committee to address Area M and Statewide proposals. Need a separate meeting to address area M and Statewide proposals in January - out of time in this meeting. Must be done by teleconference. Need to form a committee empowered to review, develop positions, provide comments on Area M and Statewide proposals. Must have all stakeholders represented. Appointed Frank Woods, Tom O'Connor, Curt Armstrong, Gayla Hoseth, Travis Ball, Mariano Floresta, Jonathan Forsling. Pass unanimous. Committee is empowered to represent the greater Nushagak AC. Public and other AC members encouraged to attend and contribute information.

XIV. Federal Subsistence Wildlife Proposals: AC took up Federal Subsistence Wildlife proposals WP16 -25/26, 27/28, 29/30 and 31/32. Nushagak AC supported all proposals unanimously. Several were generated by the Nushagak and Togiak ACs. Sec. Dunaway (sits on BBRAC) directed to convey these actions to the October 28/29 Bristol Bay Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Council in Dillingham.

XV. Final Approval of Minutes



Since the BOF wants Approved final minutes by the meeting. Nushagak AC delegated Gayla Hoseth to review, work with the secretary and approve the final copy of the minutes of this meeting. No time to sufficiently advertise another meeting. Many members not available for another meeting soon.

XVI. Other Business

The Nushagak AC agreed to address statewide BOF proposals by teleconference at a later date. Make sure to include our Togiak member Jonathan Forsling.

XVII. Adjourn 6:20 PM



**BRISTOL BAY FINFISH
DECEMBER 2–9, 2015
ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES**

Mandatory- Please Summarize Your Proposal Comments in this Form

BOG or BOF		Proposal Description	
Supports or Opposes?	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments/Discussion (list Pros and Cons)/Amendments to Proposal
BOF	22	Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.	
X Support	Unanimous	0	Joe Move, Dan 2nd. BBEDC invited to discuss background. Dan D. expressed his experience in the area and investigations into the minimal and very short recent commercial catch history in the Outer Port Heiden. The OPH take has really grown since starting in 2007, catch is heavily intercept of Ugashik and some other Bristol Bay systems (WASSIP) and far in excess of what can be justified by the runs into Meshik. Locals have subsistence concerns; some of our relatives live and or fish there.
BOF	23	Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.	
X No Action	Unanimous	0	Joe Move, Tom 2nd no action based on our action in 22.
BOF	24	Move all waters of the Northern District east of the latitude of Cape Seniavin from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.	
X Support as Amended	Unanimous	0	Joe Move Dan 2nd. Asked BBEDC for their position. Several AC members: Given WASSIP results we could justify fishing much farther down the north side. Joe move, Tom 2nd. to amend to exclude "3Hills" and otherwise follow recommendation of BBEDC. FRI is doing a genetics study of OPH and Ilnik. Amendment carries unanimous. Amended proposal carries unanimous.
BOF	25	Expand district boundary lines.	
X Oppose	0	Unanimous	Joe Move, Gayla 2nd; Several members had a hard time understanding how this would work. We see problems with intercepting non-terminal fish and likely allocative among districts / fishers. The current boundaries have been worked out over a long time. Late June genetics info would likely show this goes against the terminal fishery policy.
BOF	26	Create new general fishing sections that are in effect following achievement of escapement goals, or July 17, until July 27.	
X Oppose	0	Unanimous	Joe Move Tom 2nd; Discussion of the likely effects: intercept nonterminal fish. Allocative. "Back door approach to the old General District" proposal we opposed. We should be consistent if we oppose nonterminal interception other places.



BOF	27	Require that a CFEC permit holder's name displayed on a set gillnet site marking sign complies with the same character size marking requirements for permit numbers. (This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)	
X Oppose	0	Unanimous	Tom Move Joe 2nd TO TAKE UP 27 & 28 TOGETHER. Extended discussion on requirements. This has been an occasional topic for set netters. Already a hassle to keep Coast Guard happy with buoy markings and FWP happy with cork/ buoy markings. Signs are not required just Set net permit number and name be present on net. FWP say we much have buoys or corks with the active permit number(s). Signs in some places may address leases but that might not be the permit fishing there at any time. Not needed. Sometimes we have several permit numbers on the corks. How would we fit all 6 inch or 12 inch letters on a buoy ? Get on the phone or VHF.
BOF	28	Change the character size requirements for set gillnet marking signs. (This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)	
X Oppose	0	Unanimous	Tom Move Joe 2nd TO TAKE UP 27 & 28 TOGETHER. See discussion of 27 above.
BOF	29	Allow a set gillnet permit holder to operate and deploy gillnet gear seaward of the permit holder's own set gillnet, and within the permit holder's set net site.	



X Support as Amended	11	1	<p>Joe Move Dan 2nd: Proposer wants a short gap between 25f sections of net. I do this in Ekuk as long as using legal total net or going out beyond legal distance. Kevin McCambly initially opposed, others as well for fear of "leap Frogging" nets at a site to get farther out. Concern if she wants to reach out farther or add more gear. Reference to 50 fathoms confusing. 3:13 Tabled discussion until proposer and FWP could be reached. 4:00 PM took up with proposer and FWP on phones. Zimin: proposal originally to address Egegik only where she has a long tradition of having 2 25 f nets on a single set of lines with a gap between the 2 nets for safety and to aid handling the gear. Does not want to go out farther than she can now. Someone called troopers thinking she was not following letter of the law. Troopers seek clarity ,FWP - no tickets known to have been issued on this.. She is not seeking more gear or to leap frog it farther out - just continue long traditional practices and safety. Concerns if it changes separation of nets along the beach. Make sure intent is very clear. Total gear may not add up to more than 50 Fathoms. 1) Suggest new language. 2) Joe C. Move, Gayla 2nd: Add proposal 29 language to the END of paragraph (a) as a new sentence and include language "up to 50 fathoms" as the last line in 5AAC 06.335 (a). INTENT of the Nushagak AC is to allow a single permit's full complement of gear (up to 50 f) to be fished as the permittee chooses in a seaward manner and within the current off shore limits or boundaries. Comment: enforcement on this is not uniform around the Bay, we need to include ALL districts. Motion Carries 11 Y / 1 N. Motion on proposal as amended 11 Y /1 N. SUGGESTED LANGUAGE: 5AAC. 06.335. Minimum distance between units of gear. (a) In the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, Ugashik, and Togiak Districts - - - - -of another set gillnet. [add NEW LANGUAGE: Except a CFEC set net permit holder in Egegik and Nushagak Districts may operate seaward of their own set gillnet; total net length not to exceed 50 fathoms. Single NO vote felt no fix is needed; matter of interpretation by FWP needs to be consistent.</p>
BOF	30	<p>Change the description of set gillnet exemptions that allow operations where beaches at mean low tide are not connected to either exposed land or land not covered at high tide, by deleting references to regulatory markers.</p>	
X- Support	10	3	<p>Joe Move, Travis 2nd. ADFG has not maintained marker sign for years. More of a housekeeping proposal and ADFG never going back to marker signs. We have not been using markers since there was LORAN, with these coordinates, the boundary doesn't move, like old markers could. Discussion of how proposed GPS coordinates were determined. Some old markers were found and GPS'd other spots they had to take their best "guess". ADFG needs a more rigorous process. Some concern, even distrust due to GPS errors up to 20 -30 ft. radius which can make a very big difference to a fishing site. ADFG needs to do a better job and survey them in- make sure they are where they should be. Sands, Com Fish said there is a chance the BOF will address this in their October meeting and it won't come up in the December meeting.</p>
BOF	31, 32, 33, 35-40	<p>Change the area registration requirements to require district registration prior to fishing in a district in Bristol Bay.</p>	



X- Support In Concept see 41	Unanimous	0	Want to go back to registering BEFORE any fishing is done Bay-wide. BBEDC noted that there are many proposals on registration that Prop 41 is the most straight forward. BBEDC supported 41 as it removed the registration starting date of June 25, supports related proposals "in concept". Joe Move, Tom 2nd: to support proposals 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 "in concept" but prefer 41. Discussion generally supported "going back to the old way pre 2010". As a set netter I like this approach.
BOF	34	Reduce the required waiting period when registering for a new district from 48 hours to 12 hours.	
X - Oppose	0	Unanimous	Joe Move, Glen 2nd. ADFG expects to be neutral did not think there is a biological concern. BBEDC opposes. AC member opposed as it could allow district hopping, too much of the fleet moving around too fast. "I think it WOULD make it hard for ADFG to manage, aren't some openings decided based on fleet size?" This would make it free week all season in Nushagak by Egegik, maybe Naknek fleet. Drifter opposed to this- could have whole Egegik /Naknek fleet swoop into Nushagak or vice versa. 48 hours works, makes people think. Stabilizes fleet and registration can be waived after they get escapement.
BOF	41	Change the area registration requirement for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts by removing the June 25 start date.	
X- Support	Unanimous	0	Joe Move, Travis & Gayla 2nd. This is the simplest and most straightforward solution. Removes the June 25 registration date. When asked, BBEDC says they support it. Goes back to pre 2010 registration regulations. Simple is good. Prefer this solution but refer to discussions in 31-40.
BOF	42	Allow set gillnet operators to transfer within the Nushagak statistical areas without the 48-hour time requirement.	
X- Oppose	4	8	Curt Move, Tom 2nd. Proposer spoke to his proposal; 48 hrs. really restricts set netters to fish and economically. No other B Bay districts have this. This would make it more fair for set netters to fish unused sites. Others are concerned how this would affect gear allocation. Concerns if roving set netters would use other peoples' lines - mess them up and it could cost someone a season. ADFG sees no biological issue. Concerns for separation of gear groups, drift and set. Drifters have given up a lot. Now some individual set netters have multiple permits and are very aggressive this would make it easier for them. Late season a lot of sites are empty this would give some set netters more opportunity - especially small guy.
BOF	43	Repeal set gillnet reregistration requirement for statistical areas within the Nushagak District.	
X- Oppose	3	9	Curt Move Dan 2nd: Similar to 42. BBEDC Opposes due to allocative concerns among sub- districts. Concerns for potential of interference among gear types. Rules of who can fish a set net site discussed. First net in the water rule. Considerable discussion of how set netting changed with the boom of the 1980s. Concerns for disorder if this passes. Concerns for 1 or 2 rapid very mobile aggressive set net group. Current regs are result of long worked out compromises. Supporter feels the 48 hr. rule is more about maintaining a social order than managing the fishery. Would allow more opportunity for some set netters when they can find an unoccupied site or when fish are on the other side of the bay.



BOF	44	Modify Togiak District registration restriction requirements that apply until July 27 to include a fishing vessel.	
X- Support	11	1	Jonathan move, Joe 2nd: Problems is if there is 1 boat and 2 permit holders one can register for elsewhere in the bay then 2nd permittee can register in Togiak whenever they want, defeating the intent of this regulation designed to aid the smaller boats common to Togiak. Adding this language would get to the original intent of the regulation. Some feel July 27 is plenty head start. Dunaway reminded AC that we had supported this in concept when submitting proposals but wanted Togiak to take the lead and we would support. If the big boats are allowed into Togiak early, the local small boats & skiffs basically have no chance and are cut off. This would add protection.
BOF	45-48, 50	Reauthorize Bristol Bay set gillnet permit stacking.	
X - Oppose	1	11	Joe Move, Travis 2nd: To take up 45, 46, 47, 48, 50 at one time. Set net stacking has been voted down the last several BOF cycles and we don't need it to come up again. Opposed, disrupted the permit market, drew permits out of state, puts prices out of reach for local, favors big money people. Stacking allows processors to take over the fishery, stackers get big advantage with processors screws little guys. Supporter formerly opposed but it could be good - people have already bought up permits and found a way around this and it hasn't disrupted the fishery as bad as expected. Another person supports as its a hassle, expensive, and precarious to transfer permits out of the family hope they'll be returned at the end of the season. Also wants to be able to fish full 50 f gear side-by-side on individual sites but not farther out than now. Modify so gear can't be fished end to end farther off shore.
BOF	49 & 53	Allow two set gillnet permit holders to jointly operate with up to 75 fathoms of set gillnet gear and require both permit numbers on identification sign.	
X - Oppose	0	Unanimous	Tom Move, Travis 2nd, to consider 49 and 53 together. This would create a lot of strife. We have opposed similar but much less drastic proposals. Its bad enough for drifters between the 1 permit 150 fathoms vs. D boats with 200 fathoms - to go to 300 fathoms would be much worse. Allowing longer set nets would put them into drifts and really conflict with drift fleet. All our comments opposing 51 & 52 apply here too.
BOF	51 & 52	Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay.	



X - Oppose	0	Unanimous	Joe C. Moved Gayla 2nd to consider 51 and 52 together. Opposed, we have been here before, it cuts out some permit holders. The D boat system we have now is designed to help permit holders who don't have boats or break downs - it works, helps those with no or low capital. This proposal would not help in those situations. This could really hurt the small boat 1 permit operations. Besides won't this still have to go to Legislature to allow 1 person to own 2 of the same type of permit? Maybe we should go to the legislature to put an end to this perennial idea. It would over-capitalize the fishery. This type of proposal goes too far from original D permit idea. Some spoke opposing even the current D permit system - go back to 1 permit one boat / site. Too hard to fish against 200 fathoms of net if I only have 150. This will cause more of our fishery move outside. Processors already play favorites with D boats - this year they got to deliver 7,000 pounds while a 1 permit boat was only allowed 4,000 pounds - not fair or proportional. NO person present spoke in favor.
BOF	54	Close the Egegik District Special Harvest Area to commercial salmon fishing for five days during times of high intercept fishing.	
X - Oppose	1	11	Joe Move, Travis 2nd; Allocative, when asked, BBEDC said they were opposed. This is not a problem nor is it the right way to address it. Who is supposed to determine the interception? We have worked out these boundaries over a long time with info from ADFG.
BOF	55	Modify set gillnet operations in the Ugashik District.	
X - No Action			Joe Move Travis 2nd to take no action by unanimous consent. Out of area. This only affects 5 set netters who have sites above where drifters go. BOF addressed in 2012, then an out of cycle ACR but no fix. Part of the issue is navigational at low water.
BOF	56	Create an in-river Alagnak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.	
X - Support	11	1	Joe Move, Travis 2nd; There will be no tower in the river, ADFG has gone to aerial surveys. There is a management plan already for the Alagnak - but no way to harvest surplus. They have already had a special harvest area and provisions for it - fishery went ok can still open by EO. This would fish a little lower in the river than the old area. This would be for special circumstances. Alagnak recently had huge escapements and this could be a real boost to a small village. Problem with markets in past. Concerns for impacts on kings and sport fishery. ADFG in openings in past did not seem to be a big issue. Peak of king run is mid July. Could tap into Kvichak milling fish?
BOF	57	Create an in-river Kvichak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.	
X - Oppose	0	Unanimous	There is already a mgt. plan for the system and this could really disrupt that plan. The existing plan took a lot of work to develop and the Kvichak hasn't been healthy all that long. I agree w BBEDC don't want to mess with Kvichak R. Doesn't make as much sense as Alagnak proposal.
BOF	58	Expand the boundaries of the Naknek Section of the Naknek-Kvichak District.	
X - Oppose	0	Unanimous	Joe move Travis 2nd Might change / cause interception and affect management. Current boundaries have been worked out for a long time. Too risky. We've had serious problems in the Kvichak don't mess with it.



BOF	59	Revise boundaries of closed waters at Graveyard Point in the Naknek-Kvichak District.	
X - Support as Amended	Unanimous	0	<p>Tom Move, Joe 2nd</p> <p>Very long discussion. Not allocative. This "problem" is relatively recent for a site that has been fished 60+ years without problem. Just a marker or boundary location confusion. Nushagak AC set precedence in Igushik and we should support this. Big concern is GPS doesn't always come to the exact same spot it moves around from day to day. Old ADFG marker was moved in the 1980's -source of some dispute. Current marker is wrong place now - possibly by accident or erosion needs to be moved back to right place. ADFG's current GPS markers may have been set with minimal rigor - local fisherman should know best. "State should survey in the markers." Some disagreement from nearby set netters. Proposal maker Curt Armstrong was asked to provide exact position he thinks is right; he gave the point: 58 degrees, 52. 141 min North and 157 degrees, 00.774 min West for the Upper East Marker of the Kvichak. <i>NOTE coordinate appearing here is very slightly different from the one provided in the meeting - author provided correction after the meeting.</i> Per attached email (sister of author).</p> <p>Nushagak AC amends this proposal to recommend the BOF set the boundary to preserve the traditional fishing sites and allow continued fishing at the coordinates 58 deg, 52. 141 min North and 157 deg, 00.774 min West (as provided by the proposer) - supported unanimously</p> <p>Nush AC supported amended proposal: author and AC member Armstrong abstained.</p> <p>The intent of the Nushagak AC is to set the upper east boundary to preserve a traditional long used legal historical fishing site. We do not believe that changing the system of district boundaries from physical markers to LORAN and later GPS were intended or should reduce or eliminate a long used fishing site that has been in compliance. In addition, we recognize that adjustments have to be made for erosion and changing channels.</p>
BOF	60	Create a special harvest area in the Graveyard Creek area.	
X - Support	Unanimous	0	<p>Joe move, Tom 2nd.</p> <p>Erosion has nearly eliminated the original site. This is an attempt to provide a fishing site for a long time legal fishing operation. There is no spawning in the proposed location but fish mill in there. Don't want to disenfranchise a long time traditional use spot. Same intent as we supported in Igushik last cycle and prop 59 here - just adjusting to erosion changes. We are seeing erosion problems around the bay and we'll need to address other places too. Erosion caused DNR to eliminate a former lease site we need to support this.</p>
BOF	61	Increase the minimum distance drift gillnet operations must maintain from a set gillnet operation in the Nushagak District.	
X- Oppose	1	11	<p>Joe Move Travis 2nd</p> <p>Sympathize but only addresses a few "bad apples". One set netter has lost 6 buoys -very frustrating but realizes the limitations of the drift and location. Almost seems unenforceable. Could really displace drifters on traditional drift area, too divisive.</p>



BOF	62	Increase the minimum distance drift gillnet operations must maintain from a set gillnet operation in the Nushagak District.	
X- Oppose	0	Unanimous	Joe Move Travis 2nd Proponent - designed to prevent drifters from fishing at the INSIDE end of sent nets. Asking for drifters to respect the 100 feet rule INSIDE end. If drifters get inside it might prevent set net from being set. Sometimes a drifter gets inside, goes dry and interfere with a set net operation. This asks drifters to respect shore leases. Long discussion of the law it appears there is sufficient laws that generally favor the set netter already and liability mostly falls on the drifter. Current regs already accomplish what this tries to do - current regs makes drifter liable. Current regs are sufficient.
BOF	63	Change the seaward minimum distance between set gillnet gear in the Clark's Point area in the Nushagak District.	
X- Support as amended to: SUPPORT IN CONCEPT	10	2	Joe Move, Gayla 2nd. Very, very long discussion to explain situation and to explore solutions. Several affected set-netters present and active in discussion - potential for conflicts. Erosion is changing the area and reducing the time some set nets can reach water to fish. Historically modest to low producing sites. Some solutions may encroach on other sites. This mainly involves a limited number of sites and they need to get together to work out a solution. Could affect drifters if the set nets get to move out too far. This is a small area and a very few sites. Let affected users work something out. Formed and authorized a stakeholder committee to seek consensus, and develop recommendations to bring before the Board. Nushagak AC amends proposal to: Nushagak AC Supports a solution to address the changing beach contours In Concept.: adjustments to regulations that would address the changing beach contours brought on by erosion. The AC s hopes a consensus can be reached by the concerned stakeholders. The concerned stakeholders are highly recommended by the Nushagak AC to provide a report of the details and their recommendations to the BOF meeting in December. Nushagak Committee's intent is to support the stakeholders' recommended solution. Potential stakeholders include affected set net site holders, Alannah Hurley (author of 63), Diane Wetter, Eddie Heyano, Nick Smeaton, Opie, a drift fisher, AC members Mariano Floresta (Clarks Pt.), Tom O'Connor, and other interested stake holders..
BOF	64	Increase fishing time for drift gillnet gear during incoming tides in the Nushagak District.	



X- Support as Amended	6	4	<p>Joe Move, Travis 2nd.</p> <p>Several drifters says they don't like so much fishing on the ebb - they end up running too much and against the tide too much, no time to rest, get ice, deliver. More productive fishing. Supporters think fish will get distributed evenly thru the district well enough. One supporter says ebb fishing reduces fish to set nets. One supporter (drift): with ebb fishing drifters don't get as much fish or get their fish but have to burn much more fuel, run more to get them; believes ebb openers starves set netters. One person would support flood fishing but with windows to make sure fish reach the upper district. Claims flood fish stay on the surface, ebb fish sound, harder to catch. Allocation plan part of problem esp. in those years when we had 700 drifters here. Anything that might give a little more time to drifters might help. Sending a message to Dept. to do something different. Supporter believes ebb openers actually create line fishery.</p> <p>ADFG explained the length of most openers are over 6 even 7 hours provide some flood fishing and the ebb openers seem to reduce line fishery, put fish throughout the district and assure escapement; seems to work. Lets fish flood into the district unmolested. At one time got lots of support for the ebb openers. Still have to meet the allocations.</p> <p>One opposed says "as written" will result in ADFG always opening 1 hour before book high and really does not give flexibility. Likely to create line fishery. This could really tie hands of ADFG make it hard for them to do their job. ADFG has been getting fish thru the district better with this system and more fishers seem a lot more happy with it overall - hear far fewer complaints vs. previous managers fishing the flood. Some set netters agreed.</p> <p>AMENDED Adopted amendment 6-4 to make proposal more flexible: Add language: <u>To the extent practical, drift gillnet openings will begin at least one hour before book high water:</u></p> <p>Final vote on amended proposal 6-4. 3 members not present at vote.</p>
BOF	65	In the Nushagak District repeal emergency order authority to limit gillnet mesh to not exceed four and three-quarters inches.	



X- Oppose	3	6	<p>Joe Move Tom 2nd; Some say not necessary, don't like or need small gear, "this wasn't well discussed by AC " before going to BOF last time. No good public comment opportunity. Originally to protect kings and to prevent us going into the Wood River. Adds another expense. Concerns for drop-outs and lost fish.</p> <p>Others oppose - when we have big runs and small fish this is a good tool (in '06 and '10, especially this year) and now its available. Most of us have some, many use it, its a good tool. Many spoke that it is another useful tool available. Seems like it worked to reduce over escapement to Wood R and helped to harvest in-district and not in the less popular special harvest area. Another tool to protect larger Nushagak reds yet harvest smaller Wood R reds when there is a concern - a main reason for original reg. Can target & harvest pinks and offers protection to coho.</p> <p>About this time it was found 2 Nushagak AC members had dropped out of the meeting. Jonathan had rejoined.</p>
BOF	66 & 67	<p>Amend the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to establish a fixed escapement goal, change the fishery start date, and repeal language pertaining to pink salmon escapement. (67) ADFG Change the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to reflect changes in escapement goals that have previously been implemented.</p>	
X- Support	8	1	<p>Joe Move, Tom 2nd to address 66 and 67 together; Since sonar is going away for coho season its hard to know how the plan would work. ADFG version (67) addresses new sonar data and updates plan numbers. July 23 old conservative date when coho were poor. After August 1 there is still time to make up coho if needed. July 23 knocks out late red fishing. 66 would allow a pink fishery, may keep markets around. Doesn't make sense to mention pinks in a coho plan when cohos won't be counted. Already fishery is shut down when we are trying to start. Recent coho runs are strong. I tend support 66 over 67. But need both 66 doesn't address all points of the plan.</p> <p>Opposing vote concerned for coho - need to be really cautious. Supports 67 not 66. Could affect coho escapement in years of low runs. Some years a significant portion of coho came in before August 1. Sport anglers were concerned that pink fishery was impacting the coho escapement significantly. I support 67.</p>
BOF	68	<p>Repeal Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan.</p>	



X - Support	6	5	<p>Joe Move, Gayla 2nd This is a valuable tool, its a mistake to discard it. Important for years when Nushagak reds are not doing well but Wood River is strong. Or when there are really large surpluses in the Wood R. like 2014 run. Without this tool we could be sitting on the beach if Nushagak reds are bad. This gives some folks another chance to take surplus fish. Could be a lost opportunity if closed - shouldn't throw it out. Don't just close it because some processors won't buy; that's their choice; let others make the choice.</p> <p>ADFG: used in 2010, 2012 to protect Nushagak red escapement, 2014 to take large surplus. Could have used it in 2015 but didn't to respect this proposal. A tool to reduce/ prevent foregone harvest, protect Nushagak reds.</p> <p>Supporters say some processors won't buy fish from there - won't let their fishermen to fish there. No tenders up there. Not a good place to fish. Many hate fishing in WRSWA. Only benefits a few. I support because recently, WRSWA was used as an allocation tool and I object to that; not the original purpose of it; not managed like it should be; I like the next proposal better.</p> <p>Very strong feelings both pro and con on this proposal. Asked for hand count of votes. On phone: one voter " which one has the majority?" Initial vote 5 yeah to 5 no.</p> <p>Chair casts the tie breaking vote.</p>
BOF	69	Amend the Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan to eliminate management based on Nushagak District drift and set gillnet gear allocations.	
X - No Action	-	-	No action based on our action on 68.
BOF	70	Modify the Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan to open separate drift and set gillnet fishing periods based on achievement of gear allocation instead of a fixed seasonal fishing period ratio.	
X - No Action	-	-	No action based on our action on 68.
BOF	71, 72, 73, 74	Update the description of the various boundaries by deleting references to regulatory markers.	
X - Support	Unanimous	0	<p>Tom Move, Joe 2nd to support 71 - 74</p> <p>They are just ADFG house keeping and we haven't been using old fashioned makers for many years. We already agreed to other GPS points proposals should be consistent.</p>
BOF	75	Reduce the amount of time that certain waters in the Togiak District are closed to commercial fishing for salmon with a drift gillnet.	



X - Support	8	2	<p>Jon Move Joe 2nd King run in poor condition. Originally adopted conservative date and line voluntarily for a King Management Plan that never will get made due to lack of critical elements. Proposal date July 11 is a compromise worked out locally between July 9 wanted by some in Togiak and July 15 used by ADFG. Togiak doesn't think the restrictive boundary helped kings much; that line is overboard. Togiak originally supported dates and lines to avoid having a stock of concern.</p> <p>Boundary is also a compromise to help small boats. Points chosen for ease of identification without electronics, in open skiffs.</p> <p>Formerly too extreme this is a compromise. Togiak is trying to be proactive asks Nushagak AC support.</p> <p>ADFG king run in tough shape. Recent aerial surveys only count 3,000 to 3,500 kings when goal used to be 9,000 and earlier 10,000. One processor pays a \$3.00/lb. incentive to biggest king each day but most kings earn \$1.75 / lb. No official goal as there is no way to accurately assess run strength.</p> <p>Opposed person, Channel into Togiak River is a very narrow only 20 feet wide, a choke point, most of the outlet is really shallow, king run has been touchy and vulnerable, source of worry for a long time; too risky.</p>
BOF	76	Change the current description of the Osviak Section in the Togiak District by correcting a GPS coordinate in the description.	
X - Support	Unanimous	0	Travis move, Joe 2nd to support by unanimous consent. No objection, recognize house keeping character. No discussion.
BOF	77	Change the Togiak District Salmon Management Plan to reflect recent department escapement goal changes, and remove coho and king salmon goals.	
X - Support	Unanimous	0	<p>Joe Move Travis 2nd Catches Togiak up to the rest of Bay management, with management goals established in 2010 and 2012. Togiak was left out in previous board actions. Discussion on management will be without a tower or other tools. Shocking, there was a tower in 1973 before oil money.</p> <p>Keep this in place in case funds become available for tower and other tools. There are serious discussions looking for funding. Might have to be private funded.</p> <p>Concerns, if no management tools or tower are available the goals and plans are moot, useless.</p> <p>Support as it directs Dept. to manage for a diversity of escapements vs a single escapement point.</p>
BOF	78	Change the boundaries, methods of harvest, and seasons for subsistence harvests of sockeye salmon in the Naknek River drainage.	
X- No Action	-	-	Travis, move no action. Joe 2nd. Out of area no action.
BOF	79	Eliminate subsistence fishing period for the Naknek, Egegik, and Ugashik Rivers to allow subsistence salmon fishery to occur any time.	



X- No Action	-	-	Travis, move no action. Joe 2nd. Out of area no action.
BOF	80, 81	Re-describe the subsistence fishing area in the Nushagak District that is restricted to three days per week by removing references to regulatory markers. (81) Define subsistence fishing boundaries so that the 10 fathom net restriction applies to Dillingham beaches and the 25 fathom net length restriction applies elsewhere, and remove reference to department regulatory markers.	
X - Support	Unanimous	0	Travis Move to take 80 and 81 together and support by unanimous consent. Joe 2nd. House keeping. Problem with old boundary cut across Grassy Island. Clarify boundaries for Dillingham beaches and practices across rivers bays from town. Still some concerns for GPS boundaries as GPS can move around.
BOF	82	Establish and adopt amounts reasonable & necessary for subsistence uses for herring spawn on kelp in waters of the Togiak District.	
X - Support	Unanimous	0	Tom Move Travis 2nd ADFG provided preliminary estimates of harvest for various years and communities. Ranged from 1,035 to 10,000 pounds; expects final number to be 5,000 to 10,000 pounds. C&T finding is for many of the communities nearby - Togiak Twin Hills, Clarks, Aleknagik, Manokotak, Dillingham, others. Hard to get complete harvest amount. Togiak AC member appreciates ADFG & Nushagak AC supporting his community with proposal. We have been doing better in recent years. Some years no harvest because access problems bad weather or no money for gas to get to grounds. I know a lot of roe on kelp came over to Manokotak, Dillingham, and Aleknagik some years. I'm glad to see this long a concern in Togiak, some years this issue has gone in front of the Federal RAC - highly sought subsistence product. I want to make sure they get enough - err on the side folk get plenty. Encouraged supporters to present good information to BOF.
BOF	83	Allow the traditional harvest of whitefish and non-salmon subsistence fish in specific waters of the Newhalen River.	
X- No Action	Unanimous	0	Travis Move, Tom 2nd no action out of area. Deals w sport fishing / subsistence fishing over near L. Clark and no bait areas. Concerns for anti-chumming regs impacting traditional fishing near cleaning tables at Nondalton.
BOF	84, 85	Establish non-retention king salmon sport fishing in the Big Creek drainage of the Naknek River drainage. 85) Redefine the sport fishing boundary description for non-retention of king salmon in the Big Creek drainage.	
X- No Action	Unanimous	0	Travis Move, Tom 2nd no action out of area.
BOF	86	Implement a mail-in requirement for all king salmon harvest tickets in Bristol Bay sport fisheries.	



X - Support	9	1	Gayla Move, Joe 2nd Several members are unhappy that annual sport fish harvest data is always 1 to 2 years behind, maybe this would be quicker. Others tried to explain there is no better tool for ADFG. This proposal would be like a big game harvest ticket. Guides must fill out daily log but it takes a long time to collect compile and analyze. Harvest ticket still will take time.
BOF	87	Eliminate the use of egg-simulating lures in rainbow trout fishing.	
X- No Action	Unanimous	0	Travis Move, Joe 2nd take no action out of area.
BOF	88	Change the regulatory description for herring purse seine and hand purse seine.	
X - Support	Unanimous	0	Joe Move, Travis 2nd to support with unanimous consent. House keeping. Herring fishermen present support this.
BOF	89	Delete references to sac roe in the Bristol Bay Herring Management Plan.	
X - Support	9	1	Tom Move, Joe 2nd Need to broaden market for the fish - sac roe market is declining. Might want to catch & sell Togiak herring for bait or other uses; this is more flexible. One plant is using males for low grade surimi. Fish and Game doesn't manage it like they did when the sac roe market was big. Norton Sound was getting more money for some alternate (non sac roe) use of their fish up there. Could this change open this fishery up to wanton waste rules because the males are discarded in the sac roe use? No vote: Togiak Rep opposed with no explanation.
BOF	90	Change the management plan to allow the department to waive the catch allocation requirement for gillnet and purse seine fleets.	



X - Support As Amended	9	1	<p>Tom Move, Gayla 2nd to adopt WITH amended language recommended by Robert Heyano.</p> <p>Proposal author supports amended language - this is clearer than my original proposal effort. Current fishery very different from time when this regulation originated. Now nearly impossible to manage current fishery in manner directed by the regulation. Does not eliminate the allocation, as amended allows seiners and drifters to fish at their own pace. Amended language here keeps "shalls" in.</p> <p>I want to make sure this will not hurt the gillnetters. If gillnetters can't get their allocation it will stay in the water.</p> <p>Might hurt gillnetters if seiners get their 70% and then the processors drop out of the fishery not waiting for the gillnetters.</p> <p>Not enough money in the fishery to try to force processors to work a certain way or take somebody's fish. Most companies ran their fish thru their salmon plants in Naknek.</p> <p>Recommended Language: (b)(8) After the spawn-on-kelp harvest and the Dutch Harbor Food And Bait fishery have been subtracted, the remaining harvestable surplus is allocated to the sac roe fishery. <u>The department shall manage for a removal of 30 percent of that surplus by the gillnet fleet and 70 percent by the purse seine fleet.</u></p> <p>No vote: Togiak Rep opposed with no explanation.</p>
BOF	91	Redefine the description of closed waters for the Togiak herring fishery by deleting references to department regulatory markers.	
X - Support	Unanimous	0	<p>Travis Moved to adopt by unanimous consent. Joe 2nd.</p> <p>No objections. More house keeping, consistent with our other actions on these types of proposals.</p>

Old Business:
Adjournment:

Minutes Recorded By:
Minutes Approved By:





Regarding Proposal 59

I (D Dunaway Nush AC Secretary) received the following Email from Janet Schlagel, sister to Curt Armstrong and party authoring proposal 59 regarding the best coordinate to use to preserve their fishing site.

RE: Kvichak boundary point.

Dan,

The correct coordinates are:

58 52 141 N
157 00 774 W

Thank you,

Janet Schlagel



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Dunaway

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MEMBER NAME	Community of Residence	Seat??	User Group??	TERM EXPIRES
Dan Dunaway <i>At Large</i>	Dillingham,	at large	Subsistence, sport, trapping.	June 2017
Gayla Hoseth <i>At Large</i>	Dillingham	at large		June 2016
Joe Chythlook <i>Dillingham</i>	Dillingham,	Dillingham		Dec 2015
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Travis Ball <i>Aleknagik</i>	<i>Aleknagik</i>	<i>Aleknagik</i>	<i>Aleknagik</i>	June 20?? Re-elected
Lukie Akelkok Sr.	Ekwok,	Ekwok	Ekwok	June 2016



<i>Ekwok</i>				
Glen Wysocki <i>Koliganek</i>	Koliganek	<i>Koliganek</i>	<i>Koliganek</i>	June 2016
Jonathan Forsling	Togiak	<i>Togiak</i>	<i>Togiak</i>	June 2016
Mariano Floresta (Clarks Pt.)	Clarks Pt	Clarks Pt.	Clarks Pt.	Dec 2015
Chris Carr (<i>Portage Creek</i>)	Portage Creek	<i>Portage Creek</i>	<i>Portage Creek</i>	Dec 2015
Christopher Strub Alternate	Dillingham or Aleknagik ?	Alternate		June 2016
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- B) Scott Kent
Escapement Goals

VIII. New Business:

- a) Conducted election to fill the empty at-large board position; four candidates – Louie Greene Jr., Brandon Ahmasuk, Tonya Ablowaluk, Sean Komonaseak Sr. Vote count: Louie Green Jr. 6, Brandon Ahmasuk 23, Tonya Ablowaluk 0, and Sean Komonaseak Sr. 3. Brandon was then seated as the At-Large member for three years.

- b) ACR-4 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 for Red, blue and Hanasaki King Crab.

MM: Paul Kosto to support ACR-4 as is. 2nd Adem Boeckman. Motion Carried by unanimous vote.

Scott Kent described the procedure that would be put in place to manage the pot limit.

Frank McFarlan: I have seen crews up to four. Maybe you could limit pots per crew. I see it as a source of revenue for the state. With the 8% quota, is there a way to have an adjustable weight limit for the winter like we do for the summer? I think we need to think about how to control the number of permits out there.

Charlie Lean: Explains the need to reduce and address the pot loss.

Frank McFarlan: A crew of four doesn't need to have 80 pots. I just see people buying more permits. I don't think we want more permits out there.

It was recommended to get the proposal in place and see how it goes for a couple of years and see if there were modifications required at that point.

- c) Identifying an NNSAC member to be the representative At the WACH;

Kevin Knowlton asked Brandon Ahmasuk if he would be interested, Brandon declined
Charlie Lean was nominated to represent by Nate Perkins, board voted unanimously in agreement.

- d) Identify a representative to attend the AYK, Statewide BOF and BOG meetings.

Nate Perkins: Nominates Charlie Lean to attend all of the meetings, and the BOF meetings that Adem Boeckman as the alternate. Unanimous vote in support of nomination.

- e) Musk Ox Survey Update: Bill Dunker and Tony Gorn

Musk Ox bull composition is up to 20% and recruitment is at 8%. Continuing to manage population density and range.



BOF	48	Allow Permit Stacking for set gillnet operations in the Bristol Bay Area.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Action			Adem Boeckman, wants to support the Southern Norton Sound AC because of their stake in the fishery.

BOF	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.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	14	0	Motion to support: Nate Perkins, 2nd Paul Kosto, Motion Carried
BOF	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.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	14	0	Motion to support: Paul Kosto, 2nd Nate Perkins. Tom Gray: Inquires whether Teller and Brevig are going to have problems with fishing for reds. Scott Kent: Explains reasoning for this particular proposal.
BOF	131	Increase subsistence fishing time with gillnets and beach seines in Subdistrict 1 of Norton Sound District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	14	0	Motion to support: Paul Kosto, 2nd Adem Boeckman. Adem Boeckman: Inquires about relationship to the subsistence opener. Provide for more responsive management during times of pink and chum abundance.
BOF	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.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	14	0	Motion to support: Kevin Knowlton, 2nd Adem Boeckman. Dan Reed: Explains it makes fishing more available to people with cast nets to catch fish when they cannot afford expensive nets and boats. Charlie Lean: Explains the previous try before the BOF, there is adequate public notice and I believe it has a chance. Brandon Ahmasuk: Inquires about then number of people who are fishing with dip nets- very few.
BOF	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.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	14	0	Motion to support: Adem Boeckman, 2nd Paul Kosto. Adem Boeckman: Would like to amend to all of Norton Sound, you can see the potential for Golovin and Elim to catch pink salmon and I think it is an economic opportunity. Adem Boeckman: Explains in years of pink abundance being able to fish for them with a seine. Roy Ashenfelter: Inquires about the management plan, and how to change it for subdistricts 1 and 2, if it is the wish of the AC. Nate Perkins: This will lay the ground work for putting this into action in our region eventually.



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Togiak
Fish and Game Advisory Committee Meeting
Monday, November 16, 2015 at 10:00am in the
Togiak Senior Center

I. Call to order

JF called the meeting to order at 11:10

II. Roll call

JF present JA present MK present FL present WS present PL present
TP present MS present GB 12:00 NG present MG present WK present

III. Approval of Agenda

MK made a motion to approve the agenda items seconded by PL,
federal subsistence proposals were added to new business, question was
called, motion carried

IV. Approval of Minutes from the 3/23/15 meeting

WK made a motion to table the 03/23/15 meeting minutes till our next
meeting, seconded by JA, question was called, motion carried

Break 11:10-11:30



V. Introduction:

- Staff

Taryn O'Connor-Brito, Ted Kreig, Matt Jones, Ian Fo

- Guests

Tony Poulson, Darren Byayuk, Molly Dishner, William and Marie Snyder, Andi Lockuk, Pete Abraham

VI. Updates from ADF&G Staff

Andy Aderman, Jeff Hicks

Break 1:21-1:31

VII. Elections for AC Members

FL Made a motion to open the floor for nominations, seconded by MK, question was called, motion carried

WK nominated Darren Byayuk

FL nominated Peter Lockuk

JF nominated Thomas Dock

FL made a motion to close the floor for nominations, seconded by MK, question was called, motion carried

The two highest votes were seated in the two undesignated seats and the lowest votes was seated in the alternate seat

WK made a motion to seat DB and PL in the undesignated seats and TD in the alternate seat, seconded by FL, question was called, motion carried



VIII. New business:

I. Comment on proposals for the BOF Bristol Bay Finfish Meeting

MK made a motion to adopt Proposal 44, seconded by FL

Discussion- FL would like to see a deadline cutoff date for the blue cards to be dropped so people can't reserve permits to come to Togiak NG agrees that a deadline would be good JF there will always be loopholes unless we go super exclusive and there was support for going super exclusive from the Nushagak AC MK we have justification as Togiak is a small late run fishery JF this proposal would make it one step harder for the determined fishermen that want to capitalize on another district and Togiaks late run fishery and this addition to include the vessels with the permits for transfer period would just align the regulations with the rest of Bristol Bay District transfer periods MK Nushagak AC may support us but others won't FL blue cards should have deadline until the date it opens to all (July 27th) NG people will just drop their cards earlier we need to come up with something better GB to go super exclusive we need a proposal MK for now we need to focus on proposal 44 and work on super exclusive in the future FL we should be able to extend the date(for the transfer period) like we did last summer we should make it so the biologist can EO a later date instead of having to go through the board JF we have support for this proposal as is and may not want to amend it as we will lose our support and any traction this proposal has gained FL asked if we can amend the proposal to give EO authority to the manager TOB not sure if majorly adding to Proposal 44 would be good or damaging when you have regional support as is JF concerned adding to 44 at this time would lose support from other AC's this proposal only ties the vessel and permit transfer regulations together as it is throughout the other districts in our Bay JF question MJ is there a list of latent permits and contacts in season available to the Public MJ this is not public info in season and it isn't advertised but we do if a permit is tied to a district FL Supports 44 as is and it will help



in the future he wants to see EO authority for the biologists for the July 27th transfer date change

Question was called and the proposal was adopted unanimously

MK made a motion to adopt Proposals 45-48 and 50, seconded by FL

Discussion-WS if they have the energy let them run more nets JF it will make costs go up and site and permit availability will go down and it won't be good for young people in our region trying to enter into the fishing industry MK BBEDC offers opportunities to locals to get into fisheries I have children and grand children I'm training them they will take over the fishery this would increase their opportunity to learn and get kids in to a permit JF worries about supply and demand and permits going up and kids not getting in because of demand across the bay MK agrees with permit stacking to increase opportunity WS stacking was a bad idea to begin with JF Nushagak AC and BBEDC do not support stacking as it doesn't distribute wealth and it could let one person be greedy FL in fall time in Togiak some set netters use more than one net without having two permits why are they doing this? but they are all from out of area I'm neutral towards the rest of the bay WK we may get people with set nets reserving a permit to transfer to Togiak and set netters would see more competition JF that is exactly right and imagine trying to cram twice as many set net permits into our already limited good sites

Question was called and the proposals failed to be adopted by a vote of 1 support and 11 opposed

51-52 No action Togiak doesn't allow drift permit stacking by regulation

MK made a motion to adopt proposal 75, seconded by WK

Discussion-WK wants line gone MK doesn't think it will help in the preservation of king having the line it's not conserving kings created it



thinking it would help Chinooks recover we agreed to it because it included the development of a Chinook management plan which didn't happen ADF&G has not committed to developing a Chinook management plan and the only people benefitting from this line is the sports fishermen JF no funding for our tower or management plans MK would be satisfied if ADF&G came up with a management plan to conserve Chinook JF questioned MJ how he will show the Board that the line is working MJ Set nets have been catching proportionately more kings JF not seeing drift and set net numbers separated MJ if the table is missing you will just have to trust me and I really don't think the board will be receptive to less PL trawlers intercept kings as bi-catch wonder what number they are allowed JF supports the proposal and doesn't think the board will approve of getting rid of the line all together, but this is a step in the right direction MK opposes, the numbers aren't telling us that set net has been getting a better yield since the line went in and that it works Proportional increase but not catching less NG suggest closing sport, com and subsistence for a couple of years MJ there is no goal for kings in Togiak FL sport fish are taking more kings then subsistence Guides play with lots of fish and let them go JF should we amend the proposal to do away with sport and com fishing of kings? MK we want a conservation plan we are facing meager numbers and biggest users are the sports fishermen MJ the only reason Nushagak has a management plan is because they have sonar and trigger points no sonar no trigger points to manage JF why should sport catches double while com fish proactively sacrifices our catch MJ it could have been a great proposal but I think king line should stay in place and error on the side of caution because kings are in dire straights

Question was called the proposal failed unanimously

MK made a motion to adopt proposal 76, seconded by WS, question was called, motion carried and proposal was adopted unanimously



MK made a motion to adopt proposal 77, seconded by PL, question was called, motion carried and proposal was adopted unanimously

WK made a motion to adopt proposal 82 with option B, seconded by MK, question was called, motion carried and proposal was adopted unanimously

PL made a motion to adopt proposal 89, seconded by FL, question was called, motion carried and proposal was adopted 5 support 2 opposed

PL made a motion to adopt proposal 91, seconded by WK, question was called and motion carried unanimously

FL made a motion to adopt proposal 221, seconded by PL

Discussion-WS we need room between set net, drift fishermen and tenders, the tenders should not impede fishermen

Question was called and the motion carried unanimously

II. Comment on proposals for the BOF Statewide Finfish Meeting

MK made a motion to adopt proposal 209-211 seconded by PL

Discussion-PL if we used to see lots of tiny herring jumping we knew that we would catch lots of kings

Question was called and motion carried unanimously

III. Discussion of Minute approval for comments to BOF(BBFF comment deadline Nov,19)

WK made a motion to have the Chairmen approve the minutes on behalf of the AC, seconded by PL, question called and motion carried unanimously



IV. Federal Subsistence Proposals

FL made a motion to adopt proposals WP 16 25-28 and 31,32 seconded by WK, question was called and motion carried unanimously

- IX. Old Business: Approval of Minutes from the 1/5/2015 meeting
I. Set date and location of next meeting.

Call of the chair

Adjournment

MK made a motion to Adjourn at 7:00

