



Alaska Board of Fisheries

KODIAK FINFISH

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TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP

(25 proposals)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 1: BERING SEA TANNER CRAB, KODIAK AREA GROUND FISH, KODIAK SPORT FISHING (8 proposals – Chair: Morisky)

Bering Sea Tanner Crab (1 proposal)

278 Amend the Bering Sea District Tanner crab harvest strategy to remove the mature female Tanner crab biomass threshold for opening the fishery and remove provisions allowing a harvest in waters east of 166° W. long.

Kodiak Area Groundfish Management (2 proposals)

49 Remove the 5-day stand down period and increase trip limits in the black rockfish fishery.

50 Change dates when the Kodiak Area can become a nonexclusive registration area for jig gear from October 30 to June 10.

Kodiak Archipelago Sport Fishing (5 proposals)

66 Repeal closed water provisions for sport fishing for salmon and reduce bag and possession limits within the Kodiak Road Zone.

67 Decrease the rockfish sport fishery bag and possession limits in Chiniak Bay and Marmot Bay.

68 Close the Buskin River drainage, from lake outlet to Bridge #2, to sport fishing April 20–June 1.

69 Allow only single hook lures in Kodiak fresh waters.

70 Prohibit use of bait in fresh waters of Kodiak Archipelago from October 1- August 15.



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 2: KODIAK AREA COMMERCIAL SALMON (17 proposals – Chair: Cain)

Regulatory Alignment (2 proposals)

- 47 Correct inconsistent GPS coordinates for waters of Kitoi Bay closed to commercial salmon fishery.
- 48 Correct inconsistent GPS coordinates for waters of Kitoi Bay closed to subsistence salmon fishing.

Cape Igvak Salmon Management Plan (6 proposals)

- 51 Increase the minimum expected sockeye salmon harvest thresholds from 300,000 to 600,000 prior to July 8 and 600,000 to 1,000,000 fish after July 8, and from 600,000 to 1,000,000 fish in years when runs are as strong as expected.
- 52 Require commercial salmon fishermen to register prior to fishing in the Cape Igvak Section and check out upon leaving the section, and require tender operators to report fish ticket harvest data within 12 hours of taking a delivery.
- 53 Amend the *Cape Igvak Salmon Management Plan* so that the harvest allocation applies only prior to July 9.
- 54 Redefine the area used to determine allocation percentages within the *Cape Igvak Salmon Management Plan*.
- 55 Repeal the *Cape Igvak Salmon Management Plan* and close commercial salmon fishing through July 25.
- 56 Reduce the Cape Igvak Section allocation from 15 percent to 7.5 percent of the total Chignik Area sockeye salmon catch.

Alitak District, Westside, and Spiridon Bay Salmon Management Plans (5 proposals)

- 57 Allow set gillnet gear in the entire Alitak District after September 4.
- 58 Limit escapement of jack sockeye salmon into Frazer Lake to no more than 15 percent of total Frazer Lake sockeye salmon escapement.
- 59 Implement a mandatory minimum commercial salmon fishery closure of 63 consecutive hours during every 7-day period in both the Westside and Alitak districts.
- 60 Create a special harvest area (SHA) allowing the Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association to harvest Karluk River sockeye salmon deemed excess to escapement needs.
- 61 Amend the *Spiridon Bay Sockeye Salmon Management Plan* to reflect cost recovery activities conducted by Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association.



Closed Waters and Seine Specifications (4 proposals)

- 62 Close all waters within a 1,000-yard radius of the terminus of Ayakulik River to commercial salmon fishing June 1- July 15.
- 63 Close all waters within a 500-yard radius of the terminus of Ayakulik River to commercial salmon fishing.
- 64 Close commercial salmon fishing from July 10 to August 10 in all waters north of a line from Ouzinkie Point on Ouzinkie Island to Parokoda Island and then from Parokoda Island to the old Alaska Department of Fish and Game marker on Spruce Island near Black Point.
- 65 Establish a four and one half inch minimum mesh size for salmon seines from June 1 to July 15.