

PROPOSAL 30 - 5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions for the Cook Inlet – Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Increase the king salmon daily bag limit to 10 king salmon under 20" at the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon, as follows:

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? At the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon, there are large numbers of King Salmon under 20" that never get harvested, because they count towards your daily bag limit of 2 King Salmon. Even though these King Salmon under 20" are in salt water, they are part of the terminal King Salmon fishery at the lagoon, and will not grow any larger, nearing the end of their life cycle. Catching these King Salmon under 20" is especially fun for kids, which is a big reason why the fishing lagoon was created. If nothing in changed, large numbers of King salmon under 20" will continue to go to waste.

On our local rivers, the limit for King Salmon under 20" is 10 per day, and they do not count towards your daily bag limit of King Salmon over 20". Standardizing the daily bag limit for King Salmon under 20" between our local rivers the Nick Dudiak Fishing Lagoon will also eliminate much confusion between fishermen on this issue.

PROPOSED BY: Homer Fish and Game Advisory Committee (EF-F16-117)

PROPOSAL 31 - 5 AAC 58.030. Methods, means, and general provisions – Finfish. Create an archery fishery for salmon in waters of Kachemak Bay open to snagging, as follows:

archery fishing tackle shall be allowed for the taking of salmon where open to snagging by regulation (June 24-Dec 31) in Kachemak bay as follows:

Inside a line extending from the marker defining the northwest boundary of the Nick Dudiak fishing lagoon extending roughly southeast to Peterson point (approx N 59° 35' 51". W 151° 16' 22") including the waters of halibut cove lagoon and the area locally known as "Mud Bay" at the base of the Homer spit.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Lack of opportunity for use of archery fishing tackle where there is no reasonable justification for prohibition.

With the eradication of pike from the kenai peninsula there is no longer anyplace to pursue the sport of bow fishing within reasonable distance of the Homer or Kenai/Soldotna areas.

PROPOSED BY: Dave Lyon (EF-F16-119)

PROPOSAL 32 - 5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions for the Cook Inlet – Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Open Lower Cook Inlet ling cod season on June 15 instead of July 1, as follows:

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Ling Cod are finished spawning by this time, & additional opportunity should be allowed to harvest ling cod when the weather is good in June, August is very rough in the gulf of alaska and very few days can you get out to fish.

PROPOSED BY: Mel Erickson (EF-F16-131)

PROPOSAL 33 - 5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions for the Cook Inlet – Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area. Establish possession and size limits for small salmon in Resurrection Bay, as follows:

Sockeye, Chum, Pink or Coho less then 16 inches in length and King salmon less then 20 inches in length.

10 per day, 10 in possession in combination.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? There is no regulations on small salmon in Resurrection Bay.

Make consistent with the rest or the Kenai Peninsula.

PROPOSED BY: Thomas Buchanan (EF-F16-073)

(Proposal 34 will be heard and public testimony will be taken at both the LCI and UCI meetings and deliberated at the UCI meeting).

PROPOSAL 34 - 5 AAC 58.022. Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions for the Cook Inlet – Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area; and 5 AAC 56.122. Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area. Allow party fishing in Cook Inlet salt and freshwaters for all species except king salmon, as follows:

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? 100% of private anglers & 95% of guided anglers party fish for most species, current rules make criminals out of all them,

Tis rule is also non-enforcable for private anglers, & only enforceable on guided anglers if there iran undercover cop nearby or onboard the vessel. When fishing for abundant species with high bag limits such as black rockfish, sockeyes, pinks & others it is almost impossible to keep track of which individual anglers caught what & how many, example is 5 anglers fishing for pinks with limit of 6, it is easy to count to 30, but is very easy to lose track of how many each individual angler has retained.

PROPOSED BY: Andy Housh

(EF-F16-137)
