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5 AAC 29.120. Gear specifications and operations.
Modify gear specifications for the commercial salmon hand troll fishery, as follows:

(j) Notwithstanding any other provision in this section the following hand troll specifications apply: (1) a downrigger may not be used with a troll gurdy; (2) a hand troll gurdy or downrigger powered by hand or hand crank may be used in conjunction with a fishing rod, and is not considered power troll gear; (3) an electric, hydraulic, or power assisted downrigger is considered a power troll gurdy and may not be used in conjunction with a fishing rod;

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? allow the use of 2 manually operated down riggers in conjunction with 2 sport rods as a legal means of taking fish in the hantroll fishery year round.

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