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## **Agenda #4 & 5: Committee Information**

1. Board of Fisheries Standing Committees worksheet
2. Joint Habitat and Legislation Committees Meeting Report, November 29, 2016





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ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES  
Joint Meeting of the Legislation and Habitat Committees

November 29, 2016, Islands and Ocean Visitor Center, Homer

***MEETING SUMMARY***

Committee Memberships:

**Legislation**

Reed Morisky, Chair  
Robert Ruffner  
Al Cain

**Habitat**

Israel Payton, Chair  
Orville Huntington  
Reed Morisky

Also present: John Jensen, Sue Jeffrey

- 1. Welcome and Introductions** – Co-chair Reed Morisky introduced committees members and provided an overview of the meeting purpose. The committees were meeting to review a non-regulatory proposal received for the 2016/2017 meeting cycle that sought the Board of Fisheries (BOF) to encourage the Legislature adopt portions of the Board’s Sustainable Salmon Fisheries Policy (5 AAC 39.222) in Alaska Statute for the purpose of reviewing and issuing Division of Habitat permits.
- 2. Public testimony:** The committees opened the meeting for public testimony and heard from eight individuals including: Mike Wood, Lindsey Bloom, Emily Anderson, Bob Shavelson, Sam Synder, George Pierce, Sue Mauger, and Rick Halford. All who spoke were in favor of the proposal. Testimony comments included the need for science-based enforceable standards, early and greater public involvement, and law that protects fish habitat. Identified deficiencies included Division of Habitat involvement often comes only if a stream is listed in the anadromous fish catalog, lack of public notice and participation, and lack of enforceable standards. Other concerns include the highly variable nature of streams and an inability to modify the anadromous fish catalog, and the current permitting system’s inability to account for impacts of adjacent groundwater on a stream.
- 3. Overview of the Division of Habitat:** Audra Brase and Ginny Litchfield provided an overview of the Division of Habitat’s permitting system (see presentation provided on the meeting site). Committee members asked a number of questions regarding the Division’s permitting system including what projects habitat should review, but does not have authority to do so, what is done to mitigate potential enforcement issues, how the division collects fees, how large projects are handled and how the public is involved, what occurs if a stream is suspected of having anadromous species, but not listed in the catalog, and the division’s role in stream restoration.



- 4. Discussion and next steps:** The committees discussed the proposal request and determined that members would assemble a draft letter for review and possible approval during miscellaneous business at the Lower Cook Inlet finfish meeting. If a draft letter is not available at that time, the committees plan to have a draft available at the upcoming Kodiak meeting.

**Adjourned at 8:30 pm.**

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## **Agenda 11: 2018-2019 Call for Proposal Approval**

1. Memorandum on Call for Proposal, 2018/2019
2. Draft 2018/2019 Call for Proposal

# MEMORANDUM

# STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME Boards Support Section

TO: Alaska Board of Fisheries

DATE: September 26, 2017

THRU:

PHONE: 907-465-6095

FROM: Glenn Haight, Executive Director  
Alaska Board of Fisheries

SUBJECT: Setting the Alaska Board of  
Fisheries 2018/2019 Meeting  
Cycle Call for Proposal

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In accordance with 5 AAC 96.610, Procedures for developing fish and game regulations, the boards set their call for proposal through (b) Phase 1 as:

*(b) Phase 1. Each board will solicit regulatory proposals or comments to facilitate their deliberations. The boards will, in their discretion, limit those sections or portions of the existing regulations that will be open for change. The board will provide forms to be used in preparing proposals. Notices soliciting proposals will be distributed statewide. ...*

The next call for proposals will be issued by Boards Support in late November-early December 2017, with a deadline of April 10, 2018. Please see the draft call for proposal for your review. The draft call at this juncture will seek regulatory proposals for the following species, uses, and regions.

- All finfish for all uses in the Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands regions.
- All finfish for all uses in the Arctic / Yukon / Kuskokwim regions.
- All finfish for all uses in the Chignik region.
- All finfish for all uses in the Bristol Bay region.
- All finfish for all uses in Statewide regulations.

# CALL FOR PROPOSALS

## Alaska Board of Fisheries

THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES CALLS FOR PROPOSED CHANGES  
IN THE SUBSISTENCE, PERSONAL USE, SPORT, GUIDED SPORT, AND COMMERCIAL  
FISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE  
BRISTOL BAY FINFISH, ARCTIC / YUKON / KUSKOKWIM FINFISH, ALASKA  
PENINSULA / ALEUTIAN ISLANDS / CHIGNIK FINFISH AREAS, and  
STATEWIDE FINFISH AREAS.

### PROPOSAL DEADLINE – TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018

The Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) is accepting proposed changes to the subsistence, personal use, sport, guided sport, and commercial fishing regulations for the Bristol Bay, Arctic–Yukon–Kuskokwim; Alaska Peninsula / Aleutian Islands / Chignik, and Statewide finfish management areas. Finfish includes salmon, herring, trout, other freshwater finfishes, and groundfish, including Pacific cod, for consideration by the board in its 2018-19 meeting cycle. The board may also consider subsistence proposals for other topics (including other areas) under the subsistence proposal policy, 5 AAC 96.615, if proposals are submitted within this deadline and the board determines they meet the criteria in either 5 AAC 96.615(a)(1) or (2).

To ensure the proposal book is finished in advance of the board meetings, the board sets Tuesday, April 10, 2018, as the proposal deadline.

**Proposals may be submitted online, email, mail or fax at:**

**Online:** <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.forms>

**Email:** [dfg.bof.comments@alaska.gov](mailto:dfg.bof.comments@alaska.gov) (Adobe PDF documents only)

**Mail:** ADF&G, Boards Support Section  
P.O. Box 115526  
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**Fax:** (907) 465-6094

**Proposals must be received by Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at the Boards Support Section office in Juneau. A postmark is NOT sufficient for timely receipt.**

Interested parties are encouraged to submit proposals at the earliest possible date. The Board of Fisheries proposal form, including the on-line proposal form, is available at the Boards Support website, <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.forms>. Proposal forms are also available at any Boards Support office. Proposals must be submitted on the current approved form. Any additional information provided with the form, such as tables, Internet web links, or charts, will not be included in the proposal book.

The completed proposal form must contain a contact telephone number and address. Email addresses are appreciated. Please print or type the individual's or organization's name as appropriate.

All proposals are reviewed by the board's proposal review committee prior to publication. Language that is emotionally charged detracts from the substance of the proposal and may draw opposition not germane to the element(s) of the proposal. The proposal review committee reserves the right to edit proposals containing such language. **Proposals that do not meet the call will not be accepted.** Proposals must pertain to the region, species, and uses in this call. If duplicative proposals are received by the same individual or group only one will be included in the proposal book.

Proposals published in the proposal book will be referenced with the appropriate Alaska Administrative Code citation and include a brief description of the action requested.

Proposal books are sent to advisory committees and the public for review and comment. Proposals are online at <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.proposalbook>. Those submitting proposals are encouraged to review the proposal book at their earliest convenience to ensure proposals are included and accurate. Noted errors and omissions should be reported to Boards Support immediately. The public is encouraged to visit the Board of Fisheries website frequently for news and information regarding the upcoming cycle.

Responsive proposals received by the proposal deadline will be considered by the Board of Fisheries during the October 2018 through March 2019 meeting schedule.

For more information, please contact the Alaska Board of Fisheries Executive Director, (907) 465-4110.

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## **Agenda #12: 2019-2020 Meeting Cycle Location and Dates**

1. Boards Support Memorandum on Meeting Location and Dates
2. Meeting dates and locations worksheet for 2019/2020 with history
3. Working Calendar October 2019-March 2020
4. Board Policy 91-126-FB – Board of Fisheries Long Term Goals – (see Policies Section)
5. Board of Fisheries Criteria for Meeting Planning

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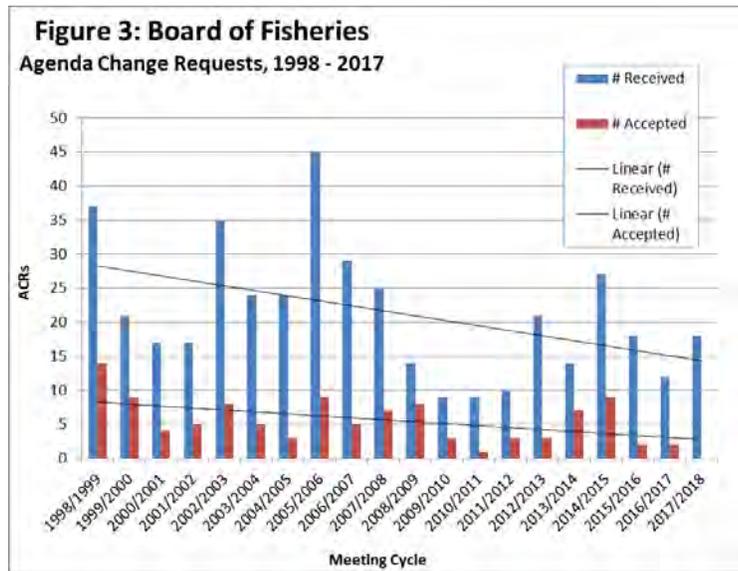
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Work Session Considerations and Agenda Change Requests

Recent October work sessions managed well within the allotted two day time period, although two work sessions were expanded to three days to accommodate matters outside of traditional work session business. The number of agenda change requests (ACRs) drives meeting workload, but even in years with a relatively high number of requests the two-day meeting sufficed. Figure 3 offers a look at ACR numbers since 1998. The average number of ACRs annually is less than 22. Over this same period, 27 percent of all ACRs, or less than 6 annually, have been accepted. In the last 5 years, the annual average number of ACRs received is 17.8. Of those 25% or 4.6 ACRs were accepted on average each year.



Proposed Days for Meetings

The following list offers the proposed and backup days for the 2019/2020 meeting schedule. Appendix 1 provides these dates in calendar view, as well as statistics on more recent meetings in these cycles and other meeting dates of interest.

In past date setting exercises the board selected specific dates as offered here. However, it would be more efficient for the board to express its preferences for date setting (ie. a range of dates, preferred start days of the week, etc.) rather than specific days. Boards Support is required to procure meeting facilities and has difficulty obtaining bids when specific days cannot mesh with a vendor’s previous bookings. Flexibility is appreciated.

Meeting (Recommended Days)	Proposed Dates	Backup Dates
Work Session (2)	October 15-16, 2019	October 23-24, 2019
Lower Cook Inlet Finfish (4)	December 9-13, 2019	December 2-5, 2019
Kodiak Finfish (4)	January 11-14, 2020	January 4-7, 2020
Upper Cook Inlet Finfish (14)	February 7-20, 2020	February 14-27, 2020
Statewide King and Tanner Crab (5)	March 7-11, 2020	March 14-18, 2020

Additional Boards Support Recommendation. Another potential change the board might consider, a change that would not occur until the 2020/2021 season, is to bring all king and Tanner crab proposals into the Southeast (SE), Prince William Sound (PWS), Statewide Dungeness meeting cycle, and move PWS shellfish proposals into the PWS finfish meeting.

Benefits from this change include:

- handling all shellfish proposals in a single year,
- reducing the number of meetings PWS advisory committees and stakeholders need to attend from three to one
- lighten board and staff work during the most difficult cycle (the Cook Inlet cycle),

- depending on the need to schedule a meeting to handle accepted ACRs this might reduce by two days the number of meeting days in the three-year cycle (from 72 to 70 days), and
- increase only marginally the number of proposals in the new shellfish cycle.

If the board was to adopt this recommendation it may consider expanding the PWS meeting by two days. The projected workload for the Statewide all-shellfish meeting is manageable within the current meeting duration of 4 days although an additional day would be advisable. If the board decides to make this change the decision point is at the board's October 2018 work session.

<b><u>Current</u></b>	<b>Average proposals from last four meeting cycles (2006-2018)</b>	<b>Days</b>
Cycle 1: Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish, PWS Finfish, Statewide Dungeness & Other Shellfish	313	22
Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish	195	13
Prince William Sound Finfish*	83	5
Statewide Dungeness, Shrimp, and Other Miscellaneous	34	4
Cycle 2: Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands, AYK, Bristol Bay, Chignik, and Statewide Finfish	248	23
Cycle 3: Cook Inlet and Kodiak finfish, Statewide King and Tanner	348	27
Statewide King and Tanner Crab	42	5

\* Does not include 2008 figures when Prince William Sound finfish and shellfish proposals were combined.

<b><u>Recommended Scenario</u></b>	<b>Average proposals from last four meeting cycles (2006-2018)</b>	<b>Days</b>
Cycle 1: Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish, PWS Finfish and Shellfish, Statewide Shellfish	355	25
Southeast/Yakutat Finfish and Shellfish	195	13
Prince William Sound Finfish and Shellfish	100	7
Statewide Shellfish (except SE/Yak/PWS)	60	5
<b>NO CHANGE</b> Cycle 2: Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Islands, AYK, Bristol Bay, Chignik, and Statewide Finfish	248	23
Cycle 3: Cook Inlet and Kodiak finfish	306	22

## TABLES

**Table 1. 2016/2017 Meeting Cycle Proposals/Day**

Year	Location	Days	Proposals	Proposals / Day	Department Reports	Time Department Reports (hrs)	Start/End	Average Time per Report (min)	Testifiers (Public/AC/ RAC)	Total Testifiers	Time for Testimony (hrs)	Start/End	Average Time Per Testifier (min)	# of Record Copies	RCs / Day
<b>Upper Cook Inlet Finfish Meeting Statistics</b>															
2017	Anchorage	14	174	12.4	11	5.80	Day 1 @ 9:48am / Day 2 @ 9:03am	32	87/6	93	8.15	Day 2 @ 9:35am / Day 3 @ 4:10pm	5.3	219	15.6
2014	Anchorage	14	236	16.9	6	4.5	Day 1 @ 9:20am / Day 1 @ 3:35pm	45	184/6	190	16.25	Day 2 @ 8:00am / Day 4 @ 10:23am	5.1	289	20.6
2011	Anchorage	14	260	18.6	9	5	Day 1 @ 8:30am / Day 1 @ 2:42pm	33	139/11	151	13	Day 1 @ 3:11pm / Day 3 @ 11:49am	5.2	260	18.6
2008	Anchorage	13	285	21.9	11	4.75	Day 1 @ 10:40am / Day 1 @ 4:58pm	26	119/11	130	9.25	Day 2 @ 8:40am / Day 3 @ 10:31am	4.3	255	19.6
2005	Anchorage	13	258	19.8	6	3	Day 1 @ 9:28am / Day 1 @ 2:10pm	30	90/7	97	14	Day 2 @ 8:54am / Day 4 @ 10:36am	8.7	165	12.7
Average		13.6	243	18	8.6	4.6		33.2		132	12.13		5.7	238	17.4
<b>Lower Cook Inlet Finfish Meeting Statistics</b>															
2016	Homer	4	47	11.75	4	2.3	Day 1 @ 9:18am / Day 1 @ 11:30am	33.75	45/3	48	3.5	Day 1 @ 1pm / Day 1 @ 4:30pm	4.4	43	10.75
2013	Anchorage	4	45	11.25	3	2	Day 1 @ 9:02am / Day 1 @ 10:58am	40	18/6	24	3.25	Day 1 @ 11:30am / Day 1 @ 4:02pm	8.1	38	9.5
2010	Homer	4	51	12.8	3	1.4	Day 1 @ 9:12am / Day 1 @ 10:37am	28	30/6	36	3.5	Day 1 @ 11:05am / Day 1 @ 4:09pm	5.8	44	11.0
2007	Homer	3	31	10.3	2	1	Day 1 9:09am / Day 1 10:14am	30	32/4	36	4	Day 1 @ 10:42am / Day 1 @ 4:46pm	6.7	66	22.0
2004	Anchorage	4	34	8.5	Unavail.	Unavailable	Unavailable	--	19/3	22	2.15	Day 1 @ ???am / Day 1 @ 3:27pm	5.9	67	16.8
Average		3.8	41.6	10.9	3.0	1.7		32.9		33.2	3.3		6.2	51.6	14.0
<b>Kodiak Finfish Meeting Statistics</b>															
2017	Kodiak	4	25	6.25	7	4.00	Day 1 @ 9:40am / Day 1 @ 3:20pm	34.3	87/3	90	7.25	Day 1 @ 3:45pm / Day 2 @ 5:00pm	4.8	67	16.8
2014	Kodiak	4	19	4.75	6	3.75	Day 1 @ 9:15am / Day 1 @ 2:00pm	37.5	85/2	87	6.75	Day 1 @ 2:15pm / Day 2 @ 12:25pm	4.7	96	24
2011	Kodiak	4	31	7.8	5	3	Day 1 @ 10:04am / Day 1 @ 2:31pm	36	59/2	61	4.25	Day 1 @ 2:52pm / Day 2 @ 10:34am	4.2	76	19.0
2008	Kodiak	5	38	7.6	7	1.5	Day 1 @ 9:09am / Day 1 @ 11:30am	12.9	52/1	53	5.5	Day 1 @ 1:05pm / Day 2 @ 9:33am	6.2	70	14.0
2005	Anchorage	4	78	19.5	5	2.75	Day 1 @ 9:57am / Day 1 @ 2:15pm	33	60/1	61	6.3	Day 1 @ 2:40pm / Day 2 @ 2:40pm	6.2	??	
Average		4.2	38	9.2	6.0	3.0		30.7		70.4	6.0		5.2	77	18.4

Board of Fisheries 2019/20 Meeting Location and Date Information Memo  
 September 28, 2017

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Year	Location	Days	Proposals	Proposals / Day	Department Reports	Time Department Reports (hrs)	Start/End	Average Time per Report (min)	Testifiers (Public/AC/RAC)	Total Testifiers	Time for Testimony (hrs)	Start/End	Average Time Per Testifier (min)	# of Record Copies	RCs / Day
<b>Statewide King &amp; Tanner Crab Meeting Statistics</b>															
2017	Anchorage	5	36	7.2	3	2.42	Day 1 @ 9:42am / Day 1 @ 12:07	48.4	27/10	37	3.75	Day 1 @ 2:07pm / Day 2 @ 9:55am	6.1	53	10.6
2014	Anchorage	5	49	9.8	5	2.5	Day 1 @ 9:03am / Day 1 @ 11:35am	30	37/8	45	3.5	Day 1 @ 11:25am / Day 1 @ 4:15pm	4.7	75	15
2011	Anchorage	5	25	5.0	4	1.6	Day 1 @ 9:05am / Day 1 @ 10:45am	24	16/4	20	2.25	Day 1 @ 1:05pm / Day 2 @ 3:21pm	6.8	53	10.6
2008	Anchorage	7	39	5.6	8	2.5	Day 1 @ 9:27am / Day 1 @ 12:01pm	18.8	21/6	27	2.5	Day 1 @ 1:48pm / Day 2 @ 9:21am	5.6	71	10.1
2005	Anchorage	7	64	9.1	7	4.25	Day 1 @ 10:23am / Day 1 @ 4:38pm	36.4	57/7	64	7	Day 1 @ 6:08pm / Day 2 @ 4:33pm	6.6	114	16.3
Average		5.8	42.6	7.3	5.4	2.7		31.5		38.6	3.8		5.9	73	12.5

**Table 2: 2016/2017 Proposal Outcomes by Regulatory Topic**

(Proposal totals may vary from Table 1. Table 1 indicates the number of proposals the board planned to deliberate. Table 2 indicates how many they took final action on. The proposal categorization here is based on the regulation the proposal sought to change. It should not be interpreted as a characterization of whether the proposal was favorable or unfavorable to the use, or a user group.)

Meeting/Subjects	Regulation	Carried or Carried as Amended	Failed	No Action or Tabled	Total	% Carried
<b>Kodiak Finfish (The board generated and passed an additional proposal at this meeting.)</b>						
<b>Total</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>42%</b>
Subsistence, Closed waters	5 AAC 01.525	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial Salmon, Gear	5 AAC 18.330	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial Salmon, Seine specifications	5 AAC 18.332	0	1	0	1	0%
Commercial Salmon, Closed waters	5 AAC 18.350	2	2	0	4	50%
Commercial Salmon, Reporting requirements	5 AAC 18.355	0	1	0	1	0%
Commercial Salmon, Cape Igvak Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 18.360	0	5	0	5	0%
Commercial Salmon, Alitak District Salmon Management	5 AAC 18.361	1	1	0	2	50%
Commercial Salmon, Karluk River Special Harvest Area Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 18.XXX	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial Salmon, Spiridon Bay Sockeye Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 18.366	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial Salmon, Retention of king salmon in commercial fishery	5 AAC 18.395	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial Groundfish, Kodiak Area Rockfish Management Plan	5 AAC 28.466	0	1	0	1	0%
Commercial Groundfish, Kodiak Area Pacific cod Management Plan	5 AAC 28.467	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial Tanner Crab, Bering Sea District C. bairdi Tanner crab harvest strategy	5 AAC 35.508	0	1	0	1	0%
Sport, Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions for Kodiak Area	5 AAC 64.022	2	3	0	5	40%
<b>Lower Cook Inlet (Two proposals, 14 and 34, were heard at LCI and finalized and reflected in UCI info.)</b>						
<b>Total</b>		<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>42%</b>
Commercial, Salmon, Fishing districts, subdistricts, and sections.	5 AAC 21.200	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial, Salmon, Fishing seasons	5 AAC 21.310	0	2	0	2	0%
Commercial, Salmon, Gear	5 AAC 21.330	2	0	0	2	100%
Commercial, Salmon, Closed waters	5 AAC 21.350	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial, Salmon, Trail Lakes Hatchery Salmon Hatchery Management Plan	5 AAC 21.373	1	1	0	2	50%

Meeting/Subjects	Regulation	Carried or Carried as Amended	Failed	No Action or Tabled	Total	% Carried
Commercial, Salmon, Bear Lake Management Plan	5 AAC 21.375	0	1	0	1	0%
Groundfish, Lawful gear for Cook Inlet Area	5 AAC 28.330	1	0	0	1	100%
Groundfish, Closed waters in Cook Inlet Area	5 AAC 28.350	1	0	0	1	100%
Groundfish, Cook Inlet Sablefish Management Plan	5 AAC 28.360	2	0	0	2	100%
Groundfish, Cook Inlet Rockfish Management Plan	5 AAC 28.365	2	0	1	3	67%
Sport, General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area	5 AAC 56.120	0	1	0	1	0%
Sport, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula Area	5 AAC 56.122	2	3	3	8	25%
Sport, Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual size, and size limits; and special provisions for Cook Inlet - Resurrection Bay Saltwater Area	5 AAC 58.022	3	6	3	12	25%
Sport, Upper Cook Inlet Salt Water Early-run King Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 58.055	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport, Lower Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan	5 AAC 58.060	0	2	3	5	0%
Personal Use, Sport fishing services and sport fishing guide services; registration requirements; regulation of activities	5 AAC 75.076	1	0	0	1	100%
Personal Use, Coho Salmon Fishery Management Plan	5 AAC 77.549	1	0	0	1	100%
<b>Upper Cook Inlet Finfish</b>						
<b>Total</b>		<b>49</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>28%</b>
Commercial, Salmon, Kuskokwim, Kuskokwim River Salmon Management Plan (a board generated proposal)	5 AAC 07.365	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial, Salmon, Fishing districts, subdistricts, and sections	5 AAC 21.200	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial, Salmon, Fishing seasons	5 AAC 21.310	2	2	4	8	25%
Commercial, Salmon, Gear	5 AAC 21.330	1	0	0	1	100%
Commercial, Salmon, Gillnet specifications and operations	5 AAC 21.331	1	1	1	3	33%
Commercial, Salmon, Closed waters	5 AAC 21.350	0	2	0	2	0%
Commercial, Salmon, Central District Drift Gillnet Fishery Management Plan	5 AAC 21.353	1	2	9	12	8%
Commercial, Salmon, Cook Inlet Pink Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 21.354	1	2	1	4	25%

Meeting/Subjects	Regulation	Carried or Carried as Amended	Failed	No Action or Tabled	Total	% Carried
Commercial, Salmon, Northern District Salmon Management Plans	5 AAC 21.358	0	3	0	3	0%
Commercial, Salmon, Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 21.359	4	1	10	15	27%
Commercial, Salmon, Kenai River Late-Run Sockeye Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 21.360	1	4	4	9	11%
Commercial, Salmon, Upper Cook Inlet Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 21.363	0	3	2	5	0%
Commercial, Salmon, Kasilof River Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 21.365	5	4	7	16	31%
Commercial, Salmon, Northern District King Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 21.366	0	4	1	5	0%
Commercial, Salmon, Cook Inlet Smelt Fishery Management Plan	5 AAC 21.505	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limitations, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula	5 AAC 56.120	0	1	0	1	0%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limitations, and methods and means for the Kenai Peninsula	5 AAC 56.122	4	2	0	6	67%
Sport, Salmon, Sport fishing by proxy	5 AAC 56.xxx	0	1	0	1	0%
Sport, Salmon, General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Kenai River Drainage	5 AAC 57.120	2	5	6	13	15%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Lower Section of the Kenai River Drainage	5 AAC 57.121	4	5	7	16	25%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Middle Section of the Kenai River Drainage	5 AAC 57.122	3	0	0	3	100%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Upper Section of the Kenai River Drainage	5 AAC 57.123	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport, Salmon, Kenai River guiding and guided fishing requirements in the Kenai River Drainage	5 AAC 57.140	0	3	1	4	0%
Sport, Salmon, Kenai River and Kasilof River Early-run King Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 57.160	1	0	1	2	50%
Sport, Salmon, Kenai River Coho Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 57.170	0	1	0	1	0%
Sport, Salmon, Riparian Habitat Fishery Management Plan for the Kenai River Drainage	5 AAC 57.180	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport, Salmon, General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Anchorage Bowl Drainage	5 AAC 59.120	2	0	0	2	100%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and	5 AAC 59.122	3	0	0	3	100%

Meeting/Subjects	Regulation	Carried or Carried as Amended	Failed	No Action or Tabled	Total	% Carried
methods and means for the Anchorage Bowl Drainage						
Sport, Salmon, General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm Drainage	5 AAC 60.120	0	1	0	1	0%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm Drainage	5 AAC 60.122	4	1	2	7	57%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for Unit 2 of the Susitna River Drainage	5 AAC 61.114	0	4	1	5	0%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for Unit 5 of the Susitna River Drainage	5 AAC 61.120	1	1	0	2	50%
Sport, Salmon, Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for Unit 6 of the Susitna River Drainage	5 AAC 61.122	0	1	0	1	0%
Sport, Salmon, Susitna River King Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 61.xxx	0	1	0	1	0%
Sport, Salmon, Deshka River King Salmon Management Plan	5 AAC 61.xxx	0	1	0	1	0%
Personal Use, Salmon, Upper Cook Inlet Personal Use Salmon Fishery Management Plan	5 AAC 77.540	4	12	0	16	25%
<b>Statewide King and Tanner Crab and Supplemental Issues</b>						
<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>61%</b>
Subsistence finfish, Kuskokwim Area, Subsistence fishing permits	5 AAC 01.280	1	0	0	1	100%
Subsistence finfish, Kuskokwim Area, Customary and traditional subsistence uses of fish stocks and amounts necessary for subsistence uses	5 AAC 01.286	0	1	0	1	0%
Subsistence finfish, Aleutian Islands, subsistence fishing permits	5 AAC 01.380	1	0	0	1	100%
Subsistence shellfish, Prince William Sound, Subsistence Tanner crab fishery	5 AAC 02.220	2	0	1	3	67%
Subsistence shellfish, Bering Sea, Subsistence fishing gear	5 AAC 02.607	1	0	0	1	100%
Groundfish, General, Management measures in parallel groundfish fisheries for protection of Steller sea lions	5 AAC 28.087	1	0	0	1	100%
King crab, Aleutian Islands, Lawful gear for Registration Area O	5 AAC 34.625	1	0	0	1	100%
King crab, Bering Sea, Saint Matthew Island Section blue king crab harvest strategy	5 AAC 34.917	1	0	0	1	100%
King crab, Bering Sea, Lawful gear for Registration Area Q	5 AAC 34.925	1	0	0	1	100%

Meeting/Subjects	Regulation	Carried or Carried as Amended	Failed	No Action or Tabled	Total	% Carried
King crab, Bering Sea, Closed wates in Registration Area Q	5 AAC 34.935	0	1	0	1	0%
Tanner crab, Prince William Sound, Fishing seasons for Registration Area E	5 AAC 35.310	0	0	2	2	0%
Tanner crab, Prince William Sound, Registration Area E Tanner crab harvest strategy	5 AAC 35.31X	1	0	0	1	100%
Tanner crab, Prince William Sound, Commissioner Permits for Tanner Crab	5 AAC 35.3xx	1	0	0	1	100%
Tanner crab, Cook Inlet, Registration Area H Tanner crab harvest strategy	5 AAC 35.408	1	0	0	1	100%
Tanner crab, Westward, Area J registration	5 AAC 35.506	1	1	3	5	20%
Tanner crab, Westward, Fishing season for Registration Westward J	5 AAC 35.510	1	1	0	2	50%
Tanner crab, Westward, Identification of Bering Sea Tanner crab	5 AAC 35.521	1	0	1	2	50%
Tanner crab, Westward, Lawfuul gear for Registration Area J	5 AAC 35.525	1	0	0	1	100%
Tanner crab, Westward, Western Aleutian District Tanner crab harvest strategy	5 AAC 35.5XX	0	0	1	1	0%
General, Shellfish fishery, Shellfish onboard observer program	5 AAC 39.645	1	0	1	2	50%
General, Shellfish fishery, Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Individual Fishing Quota Crab Fisheries Management Plan	5 AAC 39.670	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport, Kodiak, Waters; seasons; bag, possession, annual, and size limits; and special provisions	5 AAC 64.022	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport, Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands, Fishing seasons	5 AAC 65.010	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport, Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands, General provisions for seasons and bag, possession, annual, and size limits	5 AAC 65.020	1	0	0	1	100%
Sport, North Slope, Seasons and bag, possession, and size limits	5 AAC 69.110	1	0	0	1	100%
Personal Use, Cook Inlet, Personal use Tanner crab fishery	5 AAC 77.516	0	0	1	1	0%

**Table 3: Community Information on Meeting Locations for the 2019/2020 Meeting Cycle**  
(Limited search to communities with populations more than 1,000 unless connected to a road system.)

Community (BOF Meeting Year)	Previous Meetings (since 2003)	Current Population <sup>1</sup>	Transportation	Meeting Venues (largest capacity sq ft.)	Hotel Capacity (est. # of Rooms)	Restaurants	Internet Connectivity <sup>1</sup>	Cell Service <sup>1</sup>
<b>Anchorage Area</b>								
Anchorage	Annually	300,549	Major and regional air carriers Road system	Anchorage Marriott (8,000 sq. ft.) Hilton Anchorage (7,680 sq. ft.) Hotel Captain Cook (9,000 sq. ft.) Lake Front (3,496 sq. ft.) Sheraton Anchorage (9,400 sq. ft.) Westmark Anchorage (1,746 sq. ft.) Egan Convention Center (19,306 sq. ft.) Dena'ina Center (24,840 sq. ft.)	Multiple hotels (8,000 rooms in downtown) Multiple B&B and rentals	Multiple	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 100 Mbps to 1 Gbps download)	Yes
Girdwood	2013 2005	2,694	Road system	Hotel Alyeska (3,150 sq. ft.)	1 hotel (300 plus rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	5+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 100 Mbps to 1 Gbps download)	
<b>Kenai Peninsula</b>								
Kenai/Soldotna and vicinity	2016	32,000	Regional air carriers Road system Ferry (via Homer)	Soldotna Sports Center (3,600 sq. ft.) Kenai Visitors & Cultural Center (2,376 sq. ft.)	7 hotels (370 rooms) 20+ B&B and rentals	10+	Broadband (3-6 Mbps upload; 100 Mbps – 1 Gbps download)	Yes
Homer	2016	5,252	Regional air carriers Road system Ferry	Islands and Ocean Visitor Center (2,000 sq ft – est.) Land's End Resort (2,900 sq. ft)	5+ hotel (150+ rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	10+	Broadband (50-100 Mbps upload; 50-100 Mbps download)	Yes
Seward	Unk.	2,663	Regional air carriers Road system Ferry (via Homer)	UAF/KM RAE Building (1,846 sq. ft.) Seward Intermodal Facility (20,000 sq. ft.)	5+ hotels (200+ rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	8+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 50-100 Mbps download)	Yes
<b>Matanuska Susitna area</b>								
Wasilla	Board of Game	8,704	Major and regional air carriers Road system	Lake Lucille Best Western (3,150 sq ft) Menard Sports Center (1,950 -13,125 sq ft.)	Multiple hotels in area Multiple B&B and rentals	10+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 Mbps to 25 Mbps download)	Yes
Palmer	Unknown	6,268	Major and regional air carriers Road system	Alaska State Fairgrounds – Raven Hall (20,000 sq. ft) Palmer Community Center (Depot) – (3,071 sq ft)	Multiple hotels in area Multiple B&B and rentals	10+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 100 Mbps to 1 Gbps download)	Yes
<b>Kodiak Island</b>								
Kodiak	2017 2014	13,563	Major and regional air carriers Road	Best Western Kodiak Inn and Convention Center (3,200 Sq ft)	4+ hotel (est. 200 rooms) Multiple B&B and rentals	10+	Broadband (3 – 6 Mbps upload; 10 Mbps to 25 Mbps download)	Yes

<sup>1</sup> Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Community & Regional Affairs, Community Database, <http://commerce.state.ak.us/cra/DCRAExternal/Community>.

## APPENDICES

1. Meeting Dates and Locations Worksheet
2. Working Calendar, October 2019 – March 2020

# Alaska Board of Fisheries 2019/2020

## Meeting dates and locations worksheet

Lower and Upper Cook Inlet Finfish, Kodiak Finfish; Statewide King and Tanner Crab (Statewide, except Southeast/Yakutat) and Supplemental Issues

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Tuesday, April 10, 2019

<b>Dates [and Duration]</b>	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Location</b>
October 2019 [2 days]	Work Session, ACRs, cycle organization, Stocks of Concern	
<i>Proposed</i>	<i>October 15-16, 2019 [2 days]</i>	
<i>Backup</i>	<i>October 23-24, 2019 [2 days]</i>	
<i>Planned</i>	<i>October 17-18, 2018 [2 days]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>October 17-19, 2017 [3 days, includes extra day for additional work]</i>	Anchorage
<i>prior years</i>	<i>October 18-20, 2016 [3 day, 12 ACRs, 1 day listening session]</i>	Kenai/Soldotna
	<i>October 21-22, 2015 [2 days, 18 ACRs]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>October 15-16, 2014 [2 days, 27 ACRs]</i>	Juneau
December 2019 [4 days]	Lower Cook Inlet Finfish	
<i>Proposed</i>	<i>December 9-13, 2020 [4 days]</i>	
<i>Backup</i>	<i>December 2-5, 2020 [4 days]</i>	
<i>prior years</i>	<i>November 30-December 3, 2017 (4 days, 47 prop)</i>	Homer
	<i>December 8 – 11, 2013 in Anchorage [4 days, 45 prop.]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>November 15-18, 2010 in Homer [4 days, 40 prop.]</i>	Homer
	<i>November 11-15, 2007 in Homer [5 days, 31 prop]</i>	Homer
January 2020 [4 days]	Kodiak Finfish	
<i>Proposed</i>	<i>January 11-14, 2020 [4 days]</i>	
<i>Backup</i>	<i>January 4-7, 2020 [4 days]</i>	
<i>prior years</i>	<i>January 10-13, 2017 [4 days, 25 prop.]</i>	Kodiak
	<i>January 7-10, 2014 [3 days, 19 prop.]</i>	Kodiak
	<i>January 11-14, 2011 [4 days, 31 prop]</i>	Kodiak
	<i>January 14-18, 2008 [5 days, 38 prop]</i>	Kodiak
February 2020 [14 days ]	Upper Cook Inlet Finfish	
<i>Proposed</i>	<i>February 7-20, 2020 [14 days]</i>	
<i>Backup</i>	<i>February 14-27, 2020 [14 days]</i>	
<i>prior years</i>	<i>February 23-March 8, 2017 [14 days, 174 prop.]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>January 31-February 13, 2014 in Anchorage [14 days, 236 prop]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>February 20-March 5, 2011 in Anchorage [14 days, 211 prop]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>February 1-12, 2008 in Anchorage [12 days, 286 prop]</i>	Anchorage
March 2020 [5 days ]	Statewide (except Southeast/Yakutat) King & Tanner Crab and Supplemental Issues	
<i>Proposed</i>	<i>March 7-11, 2020 [5 days]</i>	
<i>Backup</i>	<i>March 14-18, 2020 [5 days]</i>	
<i>prior years</i>	<i>March 20-24, 2017 [5 days, 36 prop.]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>March 17-21, 2014 [5 days, 49 prop]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>March 22-26, 2011 [5 days, 24 prop]</i>	Anchorage
	<i>March 3-9, 2008 [7 days, 38 prop]</i>	Anchorage

Total Meeting Days: 29  
ACR Deadline: August ##, 2019 [60 days prior to fall Work Session]  
Adopted \_\_\_\_\_; subject to meeting space availability  
Submitted by Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Boards Support Section

## **RELATED EVENTS / MEETINGS**

### Upcoming Alaska Board of Game meeting dates:

*Dates for the 2018/19 cycle have not yet been determined.*

### Upcoming NPFMC meeting dates:

September 30 – October 8, 2019, Homer  
December 2-10, 2019, Anchorage  
February 3-11, 2020, Seattle (tentative)  
April 2020, Venue TBD

### Upcoming Pacific Salmon Commission meeting dates:

Dates not yet scheduled – [http://www.psc.org/meetings\\_schedule.htm](http://www.psc.org/meetings_schedule.htm). The commissioner's web site indicates it holds meetings in October, January, and February.  
*Note, this list does not include meetings of the various technical committees such as Transboundary, Northern Boundary, or Chinook.*

### Yukon River Panel dates:

Unknown

### International Pacific Halibut Commission dates:

January 28-February 1, 2018 – Annual meeting – Victoria B.C.  
Late Nov / early December 2018 – Interim meeting – Dates unknown  
January 2020 – Annual meeting – Dates unknown

### State and Federal Holidays:

Alaska Day, October 18, 2019  
Veterans Day, November 11, 2019  
Thanksgiving, November 28, 2019  
Christmas, December 25, 2019  
New Year, January 1, 2020  
Martin Luther King Day, January 20, 2020  
Presidents Day, February 17, 2020  
Seward Day, March 30, 2020

### Other

Alaska Federation of Natives Annual Convention, typically Thursday-Saturday of the third full weekend in October – October 18-20, 2019  
Alaska Marine Science Symposium – unk.  
Anchorage Spring Break, dates not posted, typically second full week of March. March 11-15, 2019

# October 2019

October 2019							November 2019						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5						1	2
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Sep 29	30	Oct 1	2	3	4	5
Sep 29 - Oct 5							
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Oct 6 - 12							
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Oct 13 - 19			2019/2020 BOF Work Session, Primary Dates (TBD)			Alaska Day - DFG, Boa	
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Oct 20 - 26				Backup date for BOF Work Session (TBD) - DFG, Bo			
	27	28	29	30	31	Nov 1	2
Oct 27 - Nov 2							

# November 2019

November 2019							December 2019						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
							29	30	31				

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>Oct 27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Nov 1</b>	<b>2</b>
Oct 27 - Nov 2							
	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
Nov 3 - 9			8:00am 8:30am Final Date for Legal Notice (n/a) - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored)				
	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
Nov 10 - 16		Veteran's Day (Holiday)					
	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
Nov 17 - 23						8:00am 8:30am Target Date for Call for Proposal - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored)	
	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
Nov 24 - 30					Thanksgiving Day (Hol)		

# December 2019

December 2019							January 2020						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	5	6	7	1	2	3	4
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	26	27	28	29	30	31	
29	30	31											

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>Dec 1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
Dec 1 - 7		Backup dates for BOF LCI Finfish meeting (TBD) - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored)					
	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
Dec 8 - 14		BOF Lower Cook Inlet Finfish Meeting, Primary Dates (TBD) - Haight, Glenn E (DFG)					
	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
Dec 15 - 21							
	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
Dec 22 - 28				Christmas Day (Holiday)			
	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Jan 1, 20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
Dec 29 - Jan 4							

# January 2020

January 2020							February 2020						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4							1
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
26	27	28	29	30	31		23	24	25	26	27	28	29

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec 29 - Jan 4	Dec 29	30	31	Jan 1, 20 New Years Day (Holiday)	2	3	4 Backup for Kodiak Finfish
	5 Backup for Kodiak Finfish (TBD) - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored)	6	7	8	9	10	11 BOF Kodiak Finfish, Prim
Jan 5 - 11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	BOF Kodiak Finfish, Primary Dates (TBD) - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored)						
Jan 12 - 18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Martin Luther King, Jr.					
Jan 19 - 25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Feb 1
Jan 26 - Feb 1							

# February 2020

February 2020							March 2020						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
						1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	29	30	31				

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Jan 26	27	28	29	30	31	Feb 1
Jan 26 - Feb 1							
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Feb 2 - 8	Super Bowl (n/a) - DFG					Upper Cook Inlet Finfish, Primary Date (TBD) - DFG, B	
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Feb 9 - 15	Upper Cook Inlet Finfish, Primary Date (TBD) - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored)						Backup for UCI Finfish (TBD)
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Feb 16 - 22	Upper Cook Inlet Finfish, Primary Date (TBD) - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored)					Backup for UCI Finfish (TBD)	
		Presidents Day (Holid					
Feb 23 - 29	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Backup for UCI Finfish (TBD)						

# March 2020

March 2020							April 2020						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	5	6	7	1	2	3	4
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	26	27	28	29	30		
29	30	31											

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mar 1 - 7	Mar 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
							BOF Statewide King and
Mar 8 - 14	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	BOF Statewide King and Tanner Crab, Primary Dates (TBD) - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored)						Backup for BOF Statewid
Mar 15 - 21	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Backup for BOF Statewide King and Tanner crab (TBD) - DFG, Boards (DFG sponsored) 8:30am						
Mar 22 - 28	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Mar 29 - Apr 4	29	30	31	Apr 1	2	3	4
		Sewards Day (Holiday)					

Board of Fisheries  
Criteria for Consideration on Reviewing Meeting Locations  
Identified March 20, 2009

From Jim Marcotte, Executive Director, memo to the Board of Fisheries, October 13, 2010 –

“In March 2009 the board decided it would identify the factors used when determining the location for holding future meetings. The board intended that no single items shall be the sole determining guideline but rather the preponderance of the items shall be considered significant in final selection of a meeting site.

1. Whether the community has commercial jet or turbine service.
2. Cellular phone service.
3. High speed internet available.
4. Adequate dining facilities/capacity for the Board of Fisheries, Fish and Game staff, and expected members of the public travelling from other communities.
5. Adequate meeting room facility and associated staff requirements (i.e.: copy machine, etc.).
6. Relative comfort (temperature inside, tables/chairs, etc.)
7. Adequate ground transportation
8. Adequate hotel rooms and capacity of rooms for expected influx.
9. Hospital.
10. Relationship of community to Board of Fisheries topic of discussion.
11. Cost to Department of Fish and Game.
12. Travel time required.
13. Economic and cultural importance to the location.
14. Economic impact on stakeholder travel.”

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## **Agenda 13: 2017-2018 Cycle Review**

1. Memorandum on 2017/2018 meeting cycle

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not start until the afternoon of the first day, and the shellfish meeting ended by noon of the fourth day.

The Statewide meeting simply has half the proposals of previous meetings. Agenda change requests are added to the last meeting, as are other issues that arise. For these reasons, caution is warranted before reducing the number of days.

**Table 2. 2017/2018 Meeting Cycle Comparative Data**

Year	Location	Days	Proposals	Props / Day	Dept Reports	Time Dept Reports (hrs)	Start/End	Average Time per Report (min)	Testifiers (Public/AC/RAC)	Total Testifiers	Time for Testimony (hrs)	Start/End	Average Time Per Testifier (min)	# of Record Copies	RCs / Day
<b>Prince William Sound Finfish Meeting Statistics</b>															
2014	Cordova	5	57	11.4	6	2.3	Day 1 @ 9:30am / Day 1 @ 11:50am	23	33/3/1	37	4	Day 1 @ 1:48pm / Day 2 @ 9:29am	6.5	63	12.6
2011	Valdez	6	96	16.0	5	2.75	Day 1 @ 9:15am / Day 1 @ 12:03pm	33	47/4	51	5	Day 1 @ 1:42pm / Day 2 @ 10:10am	5.9	64	10.7
2008	Cordova	7	139	19.9	6	3	Day 1 @ 9:21am / Day 1 @ 1:52pm	30	66/4	70	7.5	Day 1 @ 2:22pm / Day 2 @ 3:39pm	6.4	123	17.6
2005	Valdez	7	80	11.4	4	2.5	Day 1 @ 9:32am / Day 1 @ 11:59am	37.5	70/5/1	76	9	Day 1 @ 1:39pm / Day 2 @ 2:40pm	7.1	104	14.9
Average		6.25	93	14.7	5.3	2.6		30.9		58.5	6.4		6.5	88.5	13.9
<b>Southeast Finfish Meeting Statistics</b>															
2015	Sitka	9	121	13.4	7	3.25	Day 1 @ 2:10pm / Day 1 @ 5:28pm	28	95/5	100	9.5	Day 2 @ 8:35am / Day 3 @ 10:55am	5.7	145	16.1
2012	Ketchikan	10	145	14.5	10	6	Day 1 @ 9:50am / Day 1 @ 5:15pm	36	95/11	106	9.5	Day 2 @ 8:30am / Day 3 @ 10:47am	5.4	183	18.3
2009	Sitka	10	168	16.8	16	6.5	Day 1 @ 9:23am / Day 2 @ 9:14am	24	178/14/1	193	14.75	Day 2 @ 9:20am / Day 3 @ 5:35pm	4.6	302	30.2
2006	Ketchikan	11	145	13.2	15	8.5	Day 1 @ 1:52pm / Day 2 @ 12:38	34	104/2	106	11.25	Day 2 @ 2:40pm / uncertain of end time	6.4	122	11.1
2003	Ketchikan	9	118	13.1	10	5.5	Day 1 @ 10:35am / Day 2 @ 10:20am	33	74/6	80	6.5	Day 2 @ 10:55am / Day 3 @ 10:20am	4.9	??	
Average		9.8	139.4	14.2	11.6	6.0		31.0		117.0	10.3		5.4	188.0	18.9
<b>Southeast Shellfish Meeting Statistics</b>															
2015	Wrangell	4	56	14.0	3	1.33	Day 1 @ 9:05am / Day 1 @ 10:24am	26.6	18/5	23	3	Day 1 @ 10:40am / Day 2 @ 2:49pm	7.8	44	11
2012	Petersburg	7	60	8.6	5	3	Day 1 @ 9:18am / Day 1 @ 12:12pm	36	24/7	31	4	Day 1 @ 1:30pm / Day 2 @ 9:33am	7.7	56	8.0
2009	Petersburg	7	68	9.7	6	3	Day 1 @ 10:30am / Day 1 @ 3:10pm	30	32/5	37	5.2	Day 1 @ 3:50pm / Day 2 @ 1:58pm	8.4	63	9.0

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2006	Ketchikan	7	79	11.3	5	2.5	Day 1 @ 9:38am / Day 1 @ 12:05pm	30	43/3	46	5	Day 1 @ 1:40pm / Day 2 @ 10:34am	6.5	89	12.7
2003	Sitka	9	161	17.9	5	3	Day 1 @ 11:19am / Day 1 @ 3:43pm	36	84/6	90	10	Day 2 @ 8:51am / Day 3 @ 11:31pm	6.7	??	
Average		6.8	84.8	12.3	4.8	2.566		31.72		45.4	5.4		7.4	63	10.2

Statewide Dungeness Crab, Shrimp, and Miscellaneous shellfish (other than SE) Meeting Statistics															
2015	Anchorage	4	47	11.8	2	0.75	Day 1 @ 9:25am / Day 1 @ 10:14am	22.5	42/10	52	4.3	Day 1 @ 10:39am / Day 1 @ 4:38pm	5.0	68	17
2012	Anchorage	5	42	8.4	5	3.15	Day 1 @ 9:08am / Day 1 @ 12:20am	37.8	31/6/1	38	4	Day 1 @ 2:00pm / Day 2 @ 9:08am	6.3	68	13.6
2009	Anchorage	5	18	3.6	4	2	Day 1 @ 9:55am / Day 1 @ 11:49am	30	28/9	37	4.5	Day 1 @ 1:36pm / Day 2 @ 9:37am	7.3	90	18.0
2006	Anchorage	7	41	5.9	2	1	Day 1 @ 9:54am / Day 1 @ 10:40am	30	24/6	30	4	Day 1 @ 11:08am / Day 2 @ 9:20am	8.0	62	8.9
2003	Anchorage	11	42	3.8	2	1.5	Day 1 @ 11:10am / Day 1 @ 2:53pm	45	92/10	102	11.5	Day 2 @ 8:44am / Day 3 @ 2:09pm	6.8	??	
Average		6.4	38	6.7	3	1.68		33.06		51.8	5.7		6.7	72	14.4

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## **Non-Regulatory Proposals and Excluded ACRs**

1. List of non-regulatory proposals
  - a. Larry Demmert, limited entry permit violations, EF-F17-054.
  - b. Darrell Kapp, request for Board support for CFEC regulatory change, EF-F17-067.
  - c. Klawock Tribe, research and assessment needed on Klawock Lake, EF-F16-102.
  - d. Gordon Scott, in-season monitoring of Prince William Sound non-commercial shrimp fishery, EF-F17-120.
  - e. Homer Fish and Game Advisory Committee, call for proposal process change, EF-F17-122.
  - f. Ahtna Tene Nene', establish a checkpoint station in Chitina area, HQ-F17-021.
  - g. John Murray and Eric Jordan, establish a task force to review winter troll fishery, HQ-F17-049.
  - h. Lisa Grogan, Naha sockeye and pink salmon as stocks of concern, HQ-F17-056.
  - i. United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters, establish a task force to allocate enhanced and wild salmon, HQ-F17-75)
  
2. Excluded Agenda Change Requests
  - a. Michael Coons, horsepower limitations on Wasilla Creek
  - b. Max Worhatch, Dungeness crab in Southeast
  - c. Bruce Rhein, fish wheel live box Upper Copper River

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**PROPOSAL XXX - 5 AAC .**

When a salmon seiner intentionally robs a Creek/river (i.e. 20% of the net inside closed waters near or at the mouth of a creek/ river) that license shall be terminated forever.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** To terminate a salmon seine license if the operator robs a creek

**PROPOSED BY:** Larry Demmert

(EF-F17-054)

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**PROPOSAL XXX - 5 AAC 27.XXX. New Section.** Establish a commercial open pound herring spawn on kelp fishery in Sitka Sound as follows:

The change in regulation would allow existing Sitka Sound sac roe seine permit holders to choose open pound spawn on kelp as an alternative to seining. This proposal has been before the board before and has been met with some confusion on whether the Board has the ability to render a decision on it. If the Board, for some reason, still does not have the ability to decide on this proposal then the proposer requests the Board send a letter to CFEC making it clear that the Board supports the concept of allowing open pounds as an alternative to seine gear for existing Sitka Sound sac roe seine permit holders and would like CFEC to adjust the administrative area boundary accordingly to allow the Board to make a final decision on the proposal. The Board is allowed to express their view of the proposal to CFEC.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** An experimental open pound herring spawn on kelp fishery was conducted in Sitka Sound in 1998 and 1999. This project identified open pounds as a viable alternative to the sac roe fishery and produced published studies, data, and video which demonstrate the positive results of this alternative harvest method. This proposal has been presented to the Board at various times since 1996. In short, allowing open pound spawn on kelp as an alternative harvest method would increase the value of the Sitka Sound herring fishery while removing less fish from the biomass which are two things fishery managers should strive for. Fisheries for forage species such as herring have come under increased scrutiny over the years so it is more important than ever to make changes which promote conservation and increase the value of the extracted resource. This proposal does that.

**PROPOSED BY:** Darrell Kapp

(EF-F17-067)

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**PROPOSAL XXX - 5 AAC 5AAC47.023 (K).**

The Alaska Board of Fish needs to see, in the reports it provides, that salmon runs in Klawock Lake are drastically diminished and continuing in a downward trend. We recommend that a survey be made of the dolly varden and cutthroat and other species in Klawock Lake and an assessment be made of optimal trout carrying capacity and a projected optimal balance with salmon. We recommend that the Alaska Board of Fish make a priority of restoring the great salmon runs that Klawock elders remember.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Trout are predators that consume salmon eggs and salmon fry and threaten the salmon runs in the Klawock Lake Drainage area.

Why it needs to be addressed; Research by the State of Alaska indicates that salmon runs are diminishing in the Klawock drainage area. Possible causes cited in the reports included degradation of spawning areas and predation by trout. Tlingit people have known for generations that trout feed on salmon eggs and on salmon fry, consequently, they periodically harvested trout in large numbers in order to save the salmon. Trout are a sport-fishing resource and are regulated by the Alaska Board of Fish. The limit for cutthroat trout is two fish per day between 14 and 22 inches long, and two in possession. Apparently, the number of fishers in the Klawock Lake drainage are not sufficient enough to control the population growth of trout. Although reports we have seen cite trout predation as a possible cause of poor salmon runs, the reports do not provide data on trout populations or what might be an optimal balance. Klawock residents have numerous accounts of seeing large numbers of trout in Klawock Lake.

**PROPOSED BY:** Klawock Tribe

(EF-F17-102)

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**PROPOSAL XXX - 5 AAC 55.055. Prince William Sound noncommercial shrimp fishery management plan.** Require in-season monitoring to the Prince William Sound sport shrimp fishery, as follows:

In season monitoring of the non-commercial fishery harvest should be put in place, such that when the GHLL is reached, the fishery shall be closed for the season by E.O., or otherwise modified to achieve but not exceed the GHLL.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Overharvest of the GHLL by very big percentages has been regularly happening in the non-commercial PWS Shrimp fisheries. The main reason is that The Department does not receive the catch data until late February, more than 5 months after the fishery closes, and more than 10 months after the fishery opens. This does not allow ADFG to regulate the fishery while it is open for 5 months.

**PROPOSED BY:** Gordon Scott

(EF-F17-120)

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**PROPOSAL XXX - 5 AAC .**

Any shellfish season closed by EO for 24 consecutive months shall be revisited by the BOF whether in or out of cycle.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Unclear/inconsistent regulations in state regulation book. For instance, razor clam season on the east side of Cook Inlet has been closed for two years, though the reg book still states it is open with a limit of 60 clams...yet closed by EO. There is no reasonable expectation of this season opening as written anytime in the near future. It would be much more clear were it to be struck from the books until such time as the season can be opened and new regulation put in place if deemed prudent.

**PROPOSED BY:** Homer Fish and Game Advisory Committee (EF-F17-122)

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**PROPOSAL XXX - 5 AAC xx.xxx. New section.** Create a checkpoint in the Chitina area to collect and provide in-river fisheries information, as follows:

5 AAC xx.xxx A checkpoint supported and operated by the fishery stakeholders to:

- Provide a way to report harvest and effort for the Chitina Subdistrict and the lower Glennallen Subdistrict.
- Distribute information about the various in-river fisheries, permits and reporting requirements
- Distribute information about land ownership, permission and land use permit requirements.
- Communicate data collected to the public and management agencies.
- Inform, the public about fishery regulations, safety, sanitation and land use plans for visitors in the Chitina area.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** There is increased participation and harvest in the Copper River in-river fisheries especially in the Chitina area. There is not an organized system for in season reporting of participation and harvest in these fisheries. With the increase in participation and harvest and the decrease in returns below sustainable escapement goals for chinook, and lower returns of sockeye, it is important that in river harvest efforts and success are measured and monitored.

**PROPOSED BY:** Ahtna Tene Nene'

(HQ-F17-021)

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**PROPOSAL XXX - 5 AAC 29.080. Management of the winter salmon troll fishery.** Manage the winter commercial salmon troll fishery so that it extends into late April region-wide while still harvesting the guideline harvest level, as follows:

The BOF direct ADF&G to work with the troll fleet and South East Alaska Fish & Game Advisory Committees to develop a suite of management tools to manage the winter troll fishery so that it extends into late April region wide while still harvesting the Guideline harvest level of 43-47,000 plus Alaska Hatchery add on.

5 AAC 29.80 Management of the Winter Troll Fishery. (a) **(1) The Department will use the following suite of management tools to extend the winter troll season region wide into late April:**

(To be developed)

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?**

1. The increased effort in the winter troll fishery, particularly in the coastal waters of the winter area, has led to March closures in 2015 and 2016. Thus eliminating the April part of the winter troll fishery and concentrating the catch in larger vessels and a few coastal communities.
2. The percentage of Alaska Hatchery Chinook caught in the winter troll fishery is best in April. If the winter quota is caught before April the troll harvest of Alaska Hatchery Chinook is reduced thus forcing trollers and net groups to figure out other ways for trollers to improve their SE enhanced salmon allocation %.
3. Chinook migrate into shallower more protected waters around the SE region in April making them more available in better spring weather near communities throughout the region thus benefitting smaller troll vessels and distributing harvest around the region.
4. Extending the winter troll season through April helps keep fresh high quality high value Alaska caught king salmon in markets thus benefitting trollers and all Alaska salmon fishermen.

**PROPOSED BY:** John Murray and Eric Jordan

(HQ-F17-049)

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**PROPOSAL XXX - 5 AAC ??.???** List Naha Sockeye and Pink salmon as “depleted fish stocks” as follows:

Naha Conservation & Preservation recommends the commission to list Naha Sockeye and Pink salmon as “depleted fish stocks” in order to rebuild fish stocks for today and the future. Naha River & Heckman Lake salmon stocks can become a more valuable resource to all user groups and are often overlooked and never included in West Behm Canal stock assessments.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Rebuild the Naha River Sockeye and Pink salmon stocks.

Historically Heckman Lake was a valuable sockeye salmon resource given the capacity of the lakes and river system and what it could naturally yield in fish stocks. Why is it today, 2017 in Southeast Alaska we have this incredible pristine lake and river system that can potentially produce up 50,000 sockeye and 300,000 Pink Salmon receiving little attention. Estimates from a time period over 30 years with 13 years of stream counts revealed an average return of 2635 sockeye salmon are returning to spawn in Heckman Lake. Average aerial estimates for returning Naha Pink salmon over 30 years from 1986-2016 are 59,000 pinks. Compared to what the lake and river system produced in the past, there is **a demonstrated need and a high level of uncertainty** regarding Naha River Sockeye and Pink salmon stocks. State law below states:

**(5) in the face of uncertainty, salmon stocks, fisheries, artificial propagation, and essential habitats shall be managed conservatively as follows: (A) a precautionary approach, involving the application of prudent foresight that takes into account the uncertainties in salmon fisheries and habitat management, the biological, social, cultural, and economic risks, and the need to take action with incomplete knowledge, should be applied to the regulation and control of harvest and other human-induced sources of salmon mortality; a precautionary approach requires (i) consideration of the needs of future generations and avoidance of potentially irreversible changes; (ii) prior identification of undesirable outcomes and of measures that will avoid undesirable outcomes or correct them promptly; (5AAC 39.222)**

**PROPOSED BY:** Lisa Grogan

(HQ-F17-056)

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**PROPOSAL XXX – 5 AAC 33.364. Southeastern Alaska Area Enhanced Salmon Allocation Management Plan.** Create a task force to allocate salmon harvested in Southeast Alaska with an overall value calculation, as follows:

Modify the Southeast Alaska Enhanced Salmon Allocation Plan; focus on addressing a more fair way of calculating allocation in order to maintain historic overall salmon values for all gear groups.

Proposed language/idea:

The 2018 Board of Fisheries shall create a task force to allocate salmon harvested in Southeast Alaska with an overall value calculation that combines all enhanced and wild salmon so historic sharing percentages will be maintained for all commercial users.

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** Previous Board of Fish cycles have alluded to the complex, overlapping Southeast Alaska salmon allocation plans. There have been unintended consequences associated with the original 1994 Enhanced Salmon Allocation Plan; one example of those consequences has been a shift in wild values through increased opportunities directed towards a gear group below their allocation ranges that are not being accounted for in enhanced values. Other factors in the last 20 years are: fish behavior, run timing, market value changes between salmon species, gear efficiencies, the success of large scale enhanced salmon production and limited entry permit participation by gear groups. These changes have all had unanticipated effects on enhanced allocation values verses the historic overall value sharing of wild fish.

There is serious merit in considering an overall total value allocation for all commercial users. While we cannot control fish survival or market prices, we can control access to enhanced fish to achieve the total overall value allocation for all commercial salmon fishermen in Southeast Alaska.

**PROPOSED BY:** United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters (USAG) (HQ-F17-075)

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Alaska Administrative Code Number 5 AAC: Page 41 Southeast Fishing Regulation, Wasilla Creek  
"Motorized water craft having a total propshaft rating greater than 3HP may not be used on Wasilla Creek on Saturday and Sundays, July 15-August 15.

- 2) **WHAT IS THE PROBLEM YOU WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO ADDRESS? STATE IN DETAIL THE NATURE OF THE CURRENT PROBLEM.** Address only one issue. State the problem clearly and concisely. The board will reject multiple or confusing issues.

I have tried to buy a 3.0 HP engine. I have looked at different manufactures and the only range that comes close is 2.5 HP and 3.5 HP. To own a small engine I need a engine that I can use in other areas that has the power to do the job depending on current speed. I have a electric motor but the heavy weeds in Wasilla creek make the effect use of the electric motor a continuing problem. I use a canoe and with the 3.5 HP as well as the weeds, to use full power is not realistic. Based on the actual use, a half HP should have little to no effect on the stream and fish.

- 3) **WHAT SOLUTION DO YOU PREFER?** Or, if the board adopted your solution, what would the new or amended regulation say?

I request that propshaft rating as stated in the regulation be increased to no more than 3.5 HP.

- 4) **STATE IN DETAIL HOW THIS ACR MEETS THE CRITERIA STATED ABOVE.** If one or more of the three criteria set forth above is not applicable, state that it is not.

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5) WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THIS PROBLEM IS NOT SOLVED PRIOR TO THE REGULAR CYCLE?

No impact on fishery.

6) STATE WHY YOUR ACR IS NOT PREDOMINANTLY ALLOCATIVE.

Do not know how the definition of allocative is impacted on this request one way or the other.

7) IF THIS REQUEST IS ALLOCATIVE, STATE THE NEW INFORMATION THAT COMPELS THE BOARD TO CONSIDER AN ALLOCATIVE PROPOSAL OUTSIDE OF THE REGULAR CYCLE.

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8) STATE YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN THE FISHERY THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACR (e.g., commercial fisherman, subsistence user, sport angler, etc.)

Sport angler.

9) STATE WHETHER THIS ACR HAS BEEN CONSIDERED BEFORE, EITHER AS A PROPOSAL OR AS AN ACR, AND IF SO, DURING WHICH BOARD OF FISHERIES MEETING.

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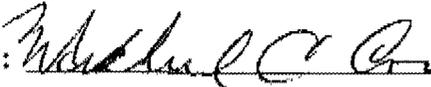
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**From:** Max Worhatch IV  
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**Subject:** Acr  
**Date:** Monday, August 14, 2017 11:04:55 AM

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- 1.) 5 AAC 32.146
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- 5) My concern I that our future seasons will be compromised on low cycle crab years based on a data set that is no longer relevant, curbing economic activity for no apparent gain or conservation benefit.
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Max

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**Subject:** Re: Acr  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 15, 2017 4:42:41 AM

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Ugh. I forgot 8.

I have been a permit holder in the southeast Dungeness crab fishery since 1991. I currently hold a limited entry permit for the maximum allowable gear.

That work?

I apologize for being distracted.

Thanks,

Max

On Aug 14, 2017, at 13:42, Rintala, Jessalynn F (DFG) <[jessalynn.rintala@alaska.gov](mailto:jessalynn.rintala@alaska.gov)> wrote:

Hi Max,

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Please answer all questions to the best of your ability.

<p>1) CITE THE REGULATION THAT WILL BE CHANGED IF THIS ACR IS HEARD. If possible, enter the series of letters and numbers that identify the regulation to be changed. If it will be a new section, enter "5 AAC NEW". Alaska Administrative Code Number 5 AAC: 01.620 (A)</p>
<p>2) WHAT IS THE PROBLEM YOU WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO ADDRESS? STATE IN DETAIL THE NATURE OF THE CURRENT PROBLEM. Address only one issue. State the problem clearly and concisely. The board will reject multiple or confusing issues. While well intentioned this statute has major problems. This statute states excess king salmon must be returned to the river immediately "alive". What good is dumping a king back in the river "alive" if it is weak from being out of the river in a dry box 3 or 4 minutes or longer till the operator sees it is there? Do you really everyone will see that 3<sup>rd</sup> king drop in the box on 4<sup>th</sup> of July at 3 AM???</p>
<p>3) WHAT SOLUTION DO YOU PREFER? Or, if the board adopted your solution, what would the new or amended regulation say? Mandate that all fishwheels have live boxes large enough to keep alive salmon 40 red salmon alive and healthy. All fish must be removed no less than every 6 hours.</p>
<p>4) STATE IN DETAIL HOW THIS ACR MEETS THE CRITERIA STATED ABOVE. If one or more of the three criteria set forth above is not applicable, state that it is not.</p>
<p>a) for a fishery conservation purpose or reason: This will ensure that those excess fish have a realistic chance of surviving to spawn if returned to the river and it ensures all fish harvested are not spoiling in those 90 degree sunny days as have in the past.</p>
<p>b) to correct an error in regulation: Sorry, but close enough to see every fish which needs to be returned to the river alive and well at 3 am is a pipe dream. People fall asleep no matter how hard they try.</p>
<p>c) to correct an effect on a fishery that was unforeseen when a regulation was adopted: Just returning a fish "alive" is a wasted fish if it is not strong enough to survive. Let's return those excess fish with a good chance to spawn.</p>

5) WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THIS PROBLEM IS NOT SOLVED PRIOR TO THE REGULAR CYCLE?

While it is too late for the 2017 fishing season, this change needs to be put in place this fall to give those who have dry boxes time enough re fit their wheels to comply for the benefit of this fishery.

6) STATE WHY YOUR ACR IS NOT PREDOMINANTLY ALLOCATIVE.

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My ACR has nothing to do with bag limits or who can harvest.

7) IF THIS REQUEST IS ALLOCATIVE, STATE THE NEW INFORMATION THAT COMPELS THE BOARD TO CONSIDER AN ALLOCATIVE PROPOSAL OUTSIDE OF THE REGULAR CYCLE.

N/A

8) STATE YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN THE FISHERY THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACR (e.g., commercial fisherman, subsistence user, sport angler, etc.)

Subsistence user, and sport angler

9) STATE WHETHER THIS ACR HAS BEEN CONSIDERED BEFORE, EITHER AS A PROPOSAL OR AS AN ACR, AND IF SO, DURING WHICH BOARD OF FISHERIES MEETING.

I do not know if this has been considered.

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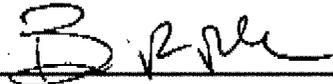
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