



**Alaska Board of Fisheries**

**Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim Finfish**

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**TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP  
(69 proposals)**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 1: TANANA SUBSISTENCE and SPORT FISHING (23 proposals: Chair - Payton)**

***Chatanika Northern Pike Subsistence (7 proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 65 Expand waters closed to subsistence harvest of northern pike in the Chatanika River drainage downstream of the Fairbanks Nonsubsistence Area boundary, adopt a maximum size limit, and reduce the bag limit.
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- PROPOSAL 68 Open the Chatanika River drainage downstream of the Fairbanks Nonsubsistence Area boundary to subsistence fishing through the ice for northern pike.
- PROPOSAL 69 Reduce the northern pike harvest trigger in the Chatanika River drainage from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game marker to the Fairbanks Nonsubsistence Area boundary.



***Tanana Drainage Sport Fisheries (16 proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 70 Modify the size limit in Fielding Lake to allow retention of lake trout less than 28 inches.
- PROPOSAL 71 Remove the size limit on lake trout for Fielding Lake.
- PROPOSAL 72 Allow catch-and-release fishing only for Arctic grayling on the Chatanika River.
- PROPOSAL 73 Allow retention of Arctic grayling in the Chena River drainage.
- PROPOSAL 74 Allow harvest of Arctic grayling in the Delta Clearwater River.
- PROPOSAL 75 Repeal the bag limit for northern pike in the Chisana River drainage upstream of the Northway Bridge.
- PROPOSAL 76 Allow a year-round season for northern pike in Volkmar Lake
- PROPOSAL 77 Allow sport fishing for northern pike in Little Harding Lake.
- PROPOSAL 78 Modify gear specifications for the Minto Flats northern pike sport fishery.
- PROPOSAL 79 Increase the bag and possession limit of stocked species in Dune Lake.
- PROPOSAL 80 Increase the bag and possession limit of stocked species in Koole Lake.
- PROPOSAL 81 Increase the bag and possession limit of salmon, other than king salmon, in the Tanana River Area.
- PROPOSAL 82 Allow sport fishing for nonsalmon species in the Toklat River drainage year-round.
- PROPOSAL 83 Allow sport and subsistence fishing for nonsalmon species in the Toklat River drainage year-round.
- PROPOSAL 84 Repeal the Tanana River Area wild rainbow trout regulation.
- PROPOSAL 85 Update the Tanana River Area stocked waters regulations.



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 2: YUKON SUBSISTENCE and COMMERCIAL (20 proposals: Chair - Huntington)**

*Yukon Subsistence Fisheries (12 proposals)*

- PROPOSAL 86 Allow subsistence fishing for nonsalmon fish with hook and line gear in District 4 of the Yukon Area.
- PROPOSAL 87 Allow subsistence fishing for salmon with drift gillnets in the entire Yukon River.
- PROPOSAL 88 Require fish wheels to be closely attended during times of conservation for any species.
- PROPOSAL 89 Allow retention of king salmon for subsistence purposes, by emergency order, during times of king salmon conservation in the Yukon Area.
- PROPOSAL 90 Reduce the amount of time prior to opening of the commercial fishing season in Districts 1 – 3 and Subdistrict 4-A of the Yukon Area when subsistence fishing for salmon is prohibited.
- PROPOSAL 91 Reduce the amount of time prior to opening of each commercial fishing period in Districts 1 – 3 of the Yukon Area when subsistence fishing for salmon is prohibited.
- PROPOSAL 92 Restrict gillnet mesh size to a maximum of 6 inches in Districts 4, 5, and 6 subsistence and commercial salmon fisheries.
- PROPOSAL 93 Repeal the requirement to remove the tips of the tail fin of subsistence-taken salmon in Districts 1 – 3 of the Yukon Area.
- PROPOSAL 94 Allow the taking of the first king salmon entering the Yukon River for religious and ceremonial use.
- PROPOSAL 95 In the Yukon River between the marker at Waldron Creek and Hess Creek, require a minimum distance of 300 feet between units of set gillnet gear and limit the amount of gillnet gear that may be deployed in an eddy to 350 feet.
- PROPOSAL 96 Allow subsistence fishing for fall chum salmon in District 5 without time restrictions if commercial fishing for fall chum salmon is open in other Yukon River districts.
- PROPOSAL 178 Allow chum salmon to be taken by drift gillnets after August 2 in Yukon River Subdistrict 4-A downstream from the mouth of Stink Creek.



***Yukon Commercial Fisheries (8 proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 97 Divide District 2 of the Yukon Area into two subdistricts.
- PROPOSAL 98 Decrease gillnet depth in Districts 4 – 6 of the Yukon Area.
- PROPOSAL 99 Allow use of beach seine gear to harvest salmon during open commercial fishing periods in Districts 1 – 3 of the Yukon Area.
- PROPOSAL 100 Adopt maximum size and depth restrictions for fish wheel baskets.
- PROPOSAL 101 Open and close the commercial fishery for fall chum and coho salmon in the Yukon Area by emergency order.
- PROPOSAL 102 Include the Pastolik and Pastoliak Rivers in District 1 of the Yukon Area.
- PROPOSAL 103 Repeal closed waters within 500 yards of the mouth of the Pastolik River and the Pastoliak River.
- PROPOSAL 104 Repeal closed waters in the lower three miles of the Pastolik and Pastoliak rivers.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 3: KUSKOKWIM SUBSISTENCE, COMMERCIAL, and SPORT (18 proposals: Chair - Ruffner)**

***Kuskokwim Subsistence Fisheries (6 proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 105 Allow use of set gillnets with 7 ½” mesh to harvest salmon other than king salmon and other nonsalmon fish species on the Kuskokwim River for subsistence purposes during times of king salmon conservation.
- PROPOSAL 106 Allow set gillnets to be operated for subsistence purposes within 50 feet of each other in that portion of the Kuskokwim River drainage from the north end of Eek Island upstream to the mouth of the Kolmakoff River.
- PROPOSAL 107 Allow the use of dip nets in the Kuskokwim River drainage subsistence salmon fishery.
- PROPOSAL 108 Add dip nets as legal gear for subsistence fishing in the Kuskokwim Area.
- PROPOSAL 109 Close marine waters immediately adjacent to the mouth of the Kuskokwim River to subsistence fishing during times of king salmon conservation.
- PROPOSAL 110 Close all fishing in nonsalmon spawning rivers of the Kuskokwim River within five miles of the confluence during times of king salmon conservation.



***Kuskokwim Commercial Fisheries (7 proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 111 Increase maximum gillnet mesh size to 8 inches in both subsistence and commercial salmon fisheries.
- PROPOSAL 112 Allow subsistence fishing with dip net gear during times of king or coho salmon conservation.
- PROPOSAL 113 Close king salmon fisheries on the Kuskokwim River by emergency order on June 1.
- PROPOSAL 114 Allow subsistence fishing for king salmon in the Kuskokwim River prior to June 11.
- PROPOSAL 115 Allow subsistence fishing for nonsalmon fish species in certain waters during times of king salmon conservation.
- PROPOSAL 116 Maintain open subsistence salmon fishing periods around the mouths of the Johnson, Kialiq, Kinak, Tagyaraq and Pailleq Rivers.
- PROPOSAL 117 Allow subsistence fishing for non-salmon fish species in Pailleq Slough when the subsistence fishery for salmon is closed.

***Kuskokwim Sport Fisheries (5 proposals)***

- PROPOSAL 118 Close sport fishing for king salmon in the Kuskokwim River drainage when other Kuskokwim River fisheries are closed to the taking of king salmon.
- PROPOSAL 119 Close fishing for king salmon on the Aniak River above Doestock Creek when other Kuskokwim River fisheries are closed to the taking of king salmon.
- PROPOSAL 120 Close sport fishing and rafting on the Kwethluk, Kasigluk, and Kisaralik rivers from May 1 to October 31 in times of conservation for any species of salmon.
- PROPOSAL 121 Limit the number of days per week sport fishing guide services can be provided in the Aniak River drainage.
- PROPOSAL 122 Require parts of sport-caught salmon in the Kuskokwim-Goodnews Area to be retained or disposed of away from shore.



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 4: NORTON SOUND SUBSISTENCE and COMMERCIAL (5 proposals: Chair - Johnson)**

***Norton Sound Subsistence Fisheries (2 proposals)***

PROPOSAL 123 Repeal the Tier II subsistence chum salmon fishery.

PROPOSAL 124 Repeal the Subdistrict 1 of the Norton Sound District Chum Salmon Management Plan from Title 5, Chapter 1 of the Alaska Administrative Code and readopt in Title 5, Chapter 4.

***Norton Sound Commercial Fisheries (3 proposals)***

PROPOSAL 125 Lengthen the commercial salmon fishing season in the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area.

PROPOSAL 126 Remove restriction on the length of commercial salmon fishing periods in Norton Sound Subdistrict 1.

PROPOSAL 127 Repeal the Guideline Harvest Range for the Port Clarence District and replace with the Port Clarence District and Pilgrim River Salmon Management Plan.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 5: MISCELLANEOUS SPORT and COMMERCIAL FISHING (3 proposal: Chair - Jensen)**

***Sport Fishing Services and Guide Services (1 proposal)***

PROPOSAL 175 Align regulations for sport fishing services and sport fishing guide services in fresh and salt waters and update guide registration and reporting regulations.

***Sport Fishing Southeast King Salmon Management Plan (1 proposal)***

PROPOSAL 176 Align regulations within the Southeast King Salmon Management Plan with the provisions of the new 2019-2028 Pacific Treaty annex.

***Commercial Salmon Crawfish Inlet Terminal Harvest Area (1 proposal)***

PROPOSAL 177 Add purse seine and drift gillnet as allowed gear types in the Crawfish Inlet Terminal Harvest Area.