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RELATES TO ACR 8

Dipnetting from boats in the subsistence fishery in the Glennallen subdistrict needs to be stopped for the following reasons:

- It is not a customary and traditional fishery for this river. If we are going to conduct a customary and traditional fishery, it should use customary and traditional methods.
- There is new information from recent restrictions due to low sockeye returns indicates that people just switch fisheries from personal use to subsistence and keep fishing.
 - They take boats upstream instead of downstream from the McCarthy bridge.
- The switch from personal use to subsistence ability makes it impossible for the department to manage the fishery.
 - The subsistence fishery has close to 100 miles of river to fish. The Personal use fishery in the chitina subdistrict is about 10 miles and there are larger limits.
 - So instead of restricting the fishery, the fishery is actually expanded when the department closes personal use.
- We are having gear conflicts with a large jump in fishermen with boats on upriver parts of the district that were never there before. This is just the beginning. People will learn and expand the fishery just like happened in the Chitina subdistrict.
- Already charter operators are taking out subsistence fishermen to dipnet from boats.
- The only way to effectively restrict fisheries in river are to restrict the subsistence fishery because of the ability to switch from personal use to Subsistence. This forces a big hammer. All other fisheries must be closed before subsistence is restricted.
- I know many people who were personal use fishermen in the past that got subsistence permits this year because of the personal use closure.