

PROPOSAL 133

5 AAC 01.760. Redoubt Bay and Lake Sockeye Salmon Fisheries Management Plan.

Allow the use of seine and gillnet gear in the waters of Redoubt Bay that are open to commercial salmon fishing, as follows:

5 AAC 01.760(b)(1)(B) is amended to read:

(B) by gaff, spear, dip net, seine, gillnet, and a hook and line attached to a rod or pole;

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? There are two conflicting regulations concerning the use of seine and gillnet gear in the Redoubt Bay subsistence salmon fishery. 5 AAC 01.720(a)(1) *Lawful gear and gear specifications* states that in Redoubt Bay, seine and gillnet gear may not be used in waters closed to commercial salmon fishing. This regulation suggests that these subsistence gear types may be used in Redoubt Bay up to the commercial regulatory closed waters listed in regulation. However, regulatory language in 5 AAC 01.760 *Redoubt Bay and Lake Sockeye Salmon Fisheries Management Plan* does not allow for the use of seine and gillnet gear in the waters of Redoubt Bay south of 56°54.71' N. lat., which includes waters open to commercial salmon fishing. The suggested regulatory language would provide clarity to department staff for the use of seine and gillnet gear in the Redoubt Bay subsistence salmon fishery.

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