

PROPOSAL 249

5 AAC 31.210. Shrimp pot fishing seasons for Registration Area E.

Clarify areas open to commercial pot shrimp fishing in the Prince William Sound Area, as follows:

5 AAC 31.210(a)(2) and (a)(3) are amended to read:

- (1) the waters north 60° 40.00' N. lat. and east of 148° W. long.;
- (2) the waters south of those waters described in (1) of this subsection and north and west of a line from 60° 30.00' N. lat., 147° 57.70' W. long., to 147° W. long., **including those waters south of 60° 30.00' N. lat. in Kings Bay and Port Nellie Juan;**
- (3) The waters south of 60° 30.00' N. lat., **excluding those waters in Kings Bay and Port Nellie Juan.**

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Most of the area in Kings Bay and Port Nellie Juan are a part of Area 2 of the Prince William Sound commercial shrimp pot fishery. However, the current regulation assigns a small southern portion of the bay and port to Area 1. This proposal seeks to clarify in regulation that all of Kings Bay and Port Nellie Juan are part of Area 2, which was the intent when these areas were established.

PROPOSED BY: Alaska Department of Fish and Game

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