



**The Wrangell Advisory Committee
met three times at the Nolan Center
In Wrangell in a blended in person/Zoom format**

Date: 11/16/2021

Members Present: (pres) Chris Guggenbickler, (sec) Brian Merritt, Rob Rooney, Jason Rooney, Alan Reeves, Thor Prolux, Winston Davies, Otto Florschultz, Jarod Gross, John Yeager, and Marlin Benedict. (Zoom) Tom Sims, Dave Rak,

James Nelson (Forest Service), Sage Smiley (KSTK Radio), Brett Stillwaugh (fishermen)

ADF&G Comm Fish: Troy Thynes, Tom Kowalski

ADF&G Sport Fish: Troy Tydingco, David Love

Proposals considered: King Salmon, Commercial Salmon

Date: 12/07/2021

Members Present: (pres) Chris Guggenbickler, (sec) Brian Merritt, Rob Rooney, Jason Rooney, Thor Prolux, Winston Davies Otto Florschutz, Jarod Gross, John Yeager, Dave Brown, Davey Brown, and Marlin Benidict. (Zoom) Tom Sims, Dave Rak,

Sage Smiley (KSTK Radio),

ADF&G Comm Fish Tom Kowalski, Adam Messmer

ADF&G Sport Fish: Troy Tydingco, Patrick Fowler

Proposals Considered: Enhancement and SHA's, Sport/PU/Subsistence

12/09/2021

Members Present: (pres) Chris Guggenbickler, (sec) David Rak, Rob Rooney, Jason Rooney, Marlin Benedict, Thor Proulx, Jared Gross, John Yeager, Otto Florchutz, Winston Davies

Sage Smiley (KSTK Radio), Brett Stillwaugh (fisherman)

ADF&G Comm Fish: Tom Kowalski, Joe Stratman

ADF&G Sport Fish: Troy Tydingco, Patrick Fowler (after 9 PM)



Proposals Considered: Shrimp/Miscellaneous, Crab, Groundfish, Stikine Action Plan

The Wrangell AC does not have designated seats, however is representative in ratio of the makeup of the user groups in our community. There are voting members from seine, troll, gillnet, dungeness crab, pot and beam trawl shrimp, personal use, sport, subsistence, fish and game guides, hunters and trappers on our AC. We however do not have herring, king and tanner crab or dive fishery representation on our committee and did not comment on those proposals.



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<p><i>Note: Effective September 2019, when abstentions occur, the action or decision of a majority of the remaining members at a meeting at which a quorum is present is an act of the committee. For example, a vote tally of 7-6-2 means the motion carries. Members abstaining from voting must provide an explanation that is included in the committee record.</i></p>			
80	Amend regulation to address payback provisions when the State of Alaska king salmon fisheries exceed Alaska's annual king salmon all-gear harvest ceiling, as follows:		
Comment			Proposal doesn't have any verbage that we can actually vote on. Payback provisions need to maintain allocation balances over time. Each gear group should pay back any the next year that they went over the previous year."
81	Allocate any Alaska all gear-allocation king salmon remaining after September 1 to the commercial troll fishery, as follows:		
Support	13	0	This has been done in the past two years, this proposal would actually put in writing what's been recently done. Feel Alaska needs to harvest its share of treaty allowable catch. Question if this would put added pressure on the inside king population that normally gets caught in October?
82	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan to align with the provisions of the 2019–2028 Pacific Salmon Treaty annex, as follows:		



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Comment			<p>Our AC feels we need to maintain current allocation percentages. Concerned this does not put enough priority on resident sport/personal use Chinook needs. Feel this would benefit sport on years of low abundance which we are currently in and would not maintain the 80/20 split.</p> <p>Consensus of inaccuracy of current sport fish data, and especially in the non-resident/non-guided industry, where local guides feel there is no accountability. The creel sampling is not working in Wrangell, the workers are not at the docks when the fish come in, lots of kings are being missed. No one checks Yachts coming in and out of Alaska.</p> <p>Also, in agreement we need to move towards a better accounting system for harvest in the sport fishery such as electronic reporting/app.</p>



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<u>83</u>	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan to manage for an average sport harvest of 20% of the sport/troll allocation with commensurate regulations addressing sport fishery overages in the commercial troll fishery, as follows:		
Opposed	0	13	See 82 for comments. Don't like how it locks in the bag limit between the nonresident and the resident fishers. Maintain the 80/20 split
<u>84</u>	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan to ensure no closure of the resident king salmon fishery due to allocation concerns, as follows:		
Comment			We feel residents are the first priority amongst sport/personal use users for king salmon, these are traditional food security. Opposed to state sanctioned derbies as they are not food security for residents.
<u>85</u>	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan to manage for a resident priority by implementing closed periods and reducing bag limits for nonresidents, as follows:		
Comment			We feel residents are the first priority amongst sport/personal use users for king salmon, these are traditional food security. Opposed to state sanctioned derbies as they are not food security for residents.
<u>86</u>	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan to manage for a resident priority by implementing closed periods and reducing bag limits for nonresidents, as follows:		



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Support	14	0	We feel residents are the first priority amongst sport/personal use users for king salmon, these are traditional food security. Opposed to state sanctioned derbies as they are not food security for residents.
87	Make numerous changes to management of commercial troll and sport fisheries for king salmon in Southeast Alaska, as follows:		
Comment			We support better data collecting on king salmon and would like the state to work towards a cell phone app for better accountability and data collection for a better ability to manage the fishery.
88	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan to manage for a sliding sport allocation between 16 and 24 percent with commensurate commercial troll fishery allocation modification under commercial regulation, as follows:		
Opposed	0	14	Opposition to the sliding scale. Author known and stated was pulling his support for this one.
89	Allow the use of two additional fishing lines during periods of king salmon nonretention in all of the Southeast-Yakutat area if there is more than one CFEC power troll permit holder on board the vessel, as follows:.		
Opposed	5	7	Split vote, some felt this has the potential to get some boats off the drag, others felt this would put more gear in water, not less.



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90	Change trigger to from an annual abundance index (AI) number to a District 13 early-winter power troll CPUE tier, as follows:		
91	Reallocate the annual troll harvest allocation between the winter, spring and summer troll fisheries, as follows:		
92	Allow retention of king salmon greater than 26 inches in hatchery terminal harvest areas by commercial trollers, as follows:		
Support	12	1	We support troll being able to keep jack kings in THA's. There was concern this could affect the treaty harvest number in some THA's and members didn't want to trade a 12-pound treaty king for a 26" fish.
93	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan by reducing the maximum nonresident annual limit to three king salmon, as follows:		
94	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan to manage for a resident priority by implementing specific closed periods and reducing annual limits for nonresidents, as follows:		
Opposed	0	15	The AC doesn't feel the department needs help in managing the nonresident king catch, this proposal is not needed at this time.



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95	Amend the Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan to provide for inseason liberalization of management measures when the sport fish allocation will not be met, as follows:		
96	Expand waters of Herring Bay Terminal Harvest Area open to commercial troll fishing, as follows:		
97	Establish waters closed to commercial purse seine and drift gillnet gear but open to commercial troll gear in the Anita Bay Terminal Harvest Area when spring troll areas in District 6 and 8 are closed, as follows:		
Opposed	1	14	The SSRAA Board is moving towards fixing the allocation issue that still shows the trollers below their allocation number. We feel this should be determined by the SSRAA board and not in regulation. Representatives of the user groups on the SSRAA board are present on our AC and feel there may be some shifts in rotational scheduling that may be better suited in addressing this issue.
98	Change the ratio of drift gillnet to purse seine openings from 2:1 to 1:2 in the Anita Bay Terminal Harvest Area, as follows:		
99	Establish a gear rotation between purse seine and troll gear in the Southeast Cove Terminal Harvest area, as follows:		
100	Remove drift gillnet gear from allowed gear to participate in the Southeast Cove THA common property fisheries, as follows:		



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101	Modify management plan to further consider potential effect of hatchery-produced salmon on wild-stock salmon, as follows:		
Opposed	0	15	Two years ago this AC signed on to a letter of support for hatcheries and we still stand behind enhanced fish of which all user groups benefit and support the current permitting process.
102	Change the ratio of drift gillnet to purse seine openings from 2:1 to 1:2 in the Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area, as follows:		
103	Modify net gear allocation guidelines to further consider potential effect of hatchery-produced salmon on wild-stock salmon and wild-stock salmon management, as follows:		
Opposed			Two years ago this AC signed on to a letter of support for hatcheries and we still stand behind enhanced fish of which all user groups benefit and support the current permitting process.
104	Create a management plan for hatchery returns to Burnett Inlet, as follows:		
Support	15	0	We support this proposal giving the SSRAA board in conjunction with ADF&G the ability to manage their release sites on most recent information and conditions.
105	Create a management plan for hatchery returns to Port Saint Nicholas, as follows:		
Support	15	0	We support this proposal giving the SSRAA board in conjunction with ADF&G the ability to manage their release sites on most recent information and conditions.
106	Modify boundaries of the Port Saint Nicholas Special Harvest Area and allow use of drift gillnet gear for cost recovery operations, as follows:		



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Support	15	0	The AC supports gillnet gear for cost recovery in the Port Saint Nicholas area.
107	Create a management plan for hatchery returns to Port Asumcion, as follows:		
Support	15	0	We support this proposal giving the SSRAA board in conjunction with ADF&G the ability to manage their release sites on most recent information and conditions.
108	Create a special harvest area for Port Asumcion, as follows:		
Support	15	0	The AC supports the creation of a special harvest area for Port Asumcion.
109	Establish a hatchery special harvest area in Carroll Inlet, as follows:		
Support	15	0	We support this proposal giving the SSRAA board in conjunction with ADF&G the ability to manage their release sites on most recent information and conditions.
110	Require reporting and recovery of lost drift gillnet gear, as follows:		
Oppose	0	13	This was a very rare event, and as nets are very expensive most guys do all they can to salvage their nets. Also there was concern of over burden in possible marking requirements.
111	Change the maximum drift gillnet mesh size during periods established by emergency order from 6 inches to 6 and one-eighth inches, as follows:		
Support	13	0	Net can stretch or be a hair big from the manufacture. This proposal would give a guy a little leeway with enforcement.



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112	Provide the department authority to allow drift gillnets of up to 90 meshes in depth to be used in the District 11 drift gillnet fishery beginning in SW 34, as follows:		
Oppose	2	11	Discussion cohos travel deeper in Taku Inlet, inability to harvest allowable catch and a deeper net is needed, concern over using deeper nets in other portions of district 11, other stocks. Discussion of allowing more time although weekends are not generally allowed due to recreational users in the area.
113	Change the maximum mesh size during periods established by emergency order from 6 inches to a range of five and one-quarter to 6 inches and define dates in Districts 6, 8 and 11 when the mesh size will be implemented, as follows:		
Oppose	1	12	The department stated it feels it already has the ability to manage the gillnet fishery to conserve chinook and too restrictive of mesh restriction will be ineffective in harvesting target species. In 2021 the most restrictive measures yet held terminal harvest of chinook in district 8 was 0 large Stikine kings. The gillnet fleet is not achieving their treaty allocation of chinook and those unharvested fish are being reallocated to the troll fleet. Minority opinion is that troll feels they have lost more opportunity than the reallocated number.
114	Allow the use of fishing rods in conjunction with downriggers by hand trollers, as follows:		



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115	Modify the start date of the winter troll fishery, as follows:		
Oppose	0	13	The Chinook Task force put October 11 start date in place in hopes nonresidents would go back down south and not fish kings. Trollers are trying to get some days gained back.
116	Require retention of king salmon caught during periods of nonretention to be retained if they are deemed too injured to be released and set price at one dollar for selling retained fish, as follows:		
117	Allow trollers the use of two additional fishing lines in designated chum troll fishing areas in August and September, as follows:		
Oppose	0	13	These things have been tried before, it gives the bigger boats an unfair advantage.
118	Modify the boundaries of Districts 6 and 8 in Sumner Strait, as follows:		
119	Create a new section in District 6 and reimplement the Section 6-D Pink Salmon Management Plan, as follows:		
120	Remove Section 6-D closure to fishing with drift gillnet gear during the month of August, as follows:		
121	Establish waters closed to commercial drift gillnet fishing in and around Coffman Cove, as follows:		



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Oppose	0	13	There is the opinion on the committee non guided sport fishermen want this area closed for their own personal use. Local gillnetters have put out publications and posters in Coffman Cove harbors telling how to get around nets. This AC is against proposals that regulate areas.
122	Northern Southeast seine salmon fishery management plans -- Remove sunset date so regulation remains in effect, as follows:		
See 124			See 124
123	Remove the sunset date so regulation remains in effect and change effective end date of the plan from July 22 to July 15, as follows:		
See 124			See 124
124	Establish additional guidelines for the department to manage the District 12 purse seine fishery north of Point Marsden, as follows:		
Support	10	0, 5 people abstained	This mixed stock management proposal has been in place since 1989. Abstentions on the committee did not feel they were familiar enough with all the implications and the BOF would deal with it.
276	Allow for the retention of salmon during periods of commercial nonretention when the sport fishery in the area is open for that species, as follows:		
125	Clarify language for subsistence take of coho and king salmon, as follows:		



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126	Repeal net tending requirement in Yakutat Bay, as follows:		
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128	Allow use of set gillnets in all Southeast Alaska area subsistence salmon fisheries, as follows:		
129	Modify closed waters and remove coho salmon annual limit for the Klawock River, as follows:		
130	Modify fishing times and locations for subsistence salmon fishery in the Klawock River and Lake, as follows:		
131	Modify fishing area and add hand purse seine as legal gear for the Redoubt Bay and Lake subsistence salmon fishery, as follows:		
132	Prohibit the use of spears in Redoubt Bay and Lake subsistence fishery from June 21 to August 1, as follows:		
133	Allow the use of seine and gillnet gear in the waters of Redoubt Bay that are open to commercial salmon fishing, as follows:		



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134	Prohibit obstructing more than half of the stream, creek, or river when personal use fishing, as follows:		
Support	10	0	Should not allow nets to be all the way across a stream as it would destroy the fishery resource.
135	Allow permits to be issued for the personal use taking of king and coho salmon, as follows:		
Oppose	0	10	Do not favor issuance of subsistence or personal use for non-hatchery king salmon. Issuing such permits would establish a new user group and the action would need to be taken before the US-Canada Salmon Treaty for the allocation of a new king salmon fishery on trans boundary rivers. King stocks are depressed and a new fishery cannot be supported.
136	Include commercial harvested salmon to fish that may not be possessed on the same day sport or personal use salmon are taken, as follows:		
Oppose	0	10	AC favors the continuation of the common practice to retain a fish and take home to feed the family.
137	Prohibit personal use proxy permits at Sweetheart Creek, as follows:		
138	Create salmon personal use fisheries in marine waters of the Juneau Management Area, as follows:		
139	Modify where personal use fishing can occur in the Taku River to include all of Section 11-B and remove dates when the fishery can occur, as follows:		



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140	Add section 11-B as a personal use salmon fishing area when the area is closed to the commercial drift gillnet fishery, as follows:		
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142	Establish bag and possession limits and lawful gear for smelt fishing in the Ketchikan area, as follows:		
143	Require inseason reporting of nonresident sport fish harvest, as follows:		
Support as amended	10	0	AC supports the action to obtain more harvest data on the non-resident unguided sport fishers and to make the non-resident unguided sport fishers more accountable. The non-resident guided sport fishers are already accountable through the guides e-log book, so the guided data is available at the end of each day (9 PM) to managers. Proposal was amended to include in season reporting of non-resident unguided sport fishers. Amendment supported 10 to 0. It was noted the Department may not favor amendment because of the cost of additional logbooks.
144	Establish a logbook program for rental vessels used in Southeast Alaska sport fisheries, as follows:		



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Support	10	0	Without the proposed change to the regulations the catch data recorded on the back of their license, for sport fishers in rental vessels, fails to make it to the biologists who manage the fishery. A logbook program is needed
145	Establish nonresident bag, possession, and annual limits for coho and sockeye salmon in the fresh and salt waters of the Southeast Alaska Area, as follows:		
Support	10	0	The AC favors the proposal because 6 fish per day and no annual limit results in a significant take by nonresident sport fishers. Currently there is no annual limit in the areas identified in the proposal and thus no reporting requirement. The establishment of nonresident bag, possession and annual limits is needed.
146	Establish nonresident bag and possession limits for coho, sockeye, chum, and pink salmon in salt waters of the Southeast Alaska Area, as follows:		
Comment			AC would like to see an annual limit set.
147	Establish nonresident bag and possession limits for coho salmon in the fresh waters east of the longitude of Cape Fairweather, as follows:		
Comment			AC would like to see an annual limit set.
148	Establish nonresident bag and possession limits for sockeye, chum, and pink salmon in fresh waters of the Southeast Alaska Area, as follows:		
149	Reduce saltwater coho salmon bag and possession limit in Puget Cove to two fish, as follows:		



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150	Repeal rainbow trout size limits in Crystal, Glacier, and Moraine lakes, as follows:		
151	Prohibit guided sport fishing on the Salmon River near Gustavus, as follows:		
152	Close sport fishing in a section of 108 Creek, as follows:		
153	Close sport fishing in a section of Log Jam Creek, as follows:		
154	Allow the use of bow and arrow in Southeast Alaska sport fisheries, as follows:		
155	Prohibit the removal of salmon from the water when nonretention regulations apply and prohibit the use of a multiple hook in Southeast Alaska sport fisheries, as follows:		
Support	10	0	The AC supports the many good practices required to keep fish alive for release, but there is no support to make treble hooks illegal in all of SE Alaska. It is a good practice to not remove the fish from the water. It would be acceptable to require the fisher to make treble hooks single hooks during periods of nonretention.



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277	Align bag limits for non-resident unguided halibut harvest from rental vessels in Southeast Alaska with NOAA bag limits for guided anglers in Halibut Management Area 2C, as follows:		
support	10	0	The AC feels it would be good to align halibut harvest regulations for nonresident unguided fishers with resident harvest regulations. There is no support to establish the regulation for rental vessels only. It is recognized that the Board and Department do not have authority to manage the Federal halibut fishery, but the Board could provide guidance on the definition of a guided vessel. The AC supports sharing the proposal to Federal halibut managers who need to close the loop hole.
156	Modify harvest rate control rule for Sitka Sound sac roe herring fishery, as follows:		
			No sitka sac roe fishermen present
157	Modify harvest rate for Sitka Sound commercial sac roe herring fishery based on forecasted age structure, as follows:		
158	Incorporate forecasted age structure into Sitka Sound commercial sac roe herring fishery spawning biomass threshold, as follows:		
159	Repeal this regulation related to management of the commercial sac roe herring fishery in Sitka Sound, as follows:		
160	Reduce closed waters in the Sitka Sound commercial sac roe herring fishery, as follows:		



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161	Require a subsistence fishing permit to harvest herring roe on branches in the Sitka Sound area, as follows:		
162	Increase the possession limit for subsistence spawn-on-kelp harvest, as follows:		
163	Establish equal share quotas for the Sitka sac roe purse seine fishery, as follows:		
164	Establish equal share quotas for the Sitka Sound sac roe herring purse seine fishery, as follows:		
165	Allow unharvested Sitka sac roe quota to be harvested for food and bait by herring sac roe purse seine permit holders, as follows:		
166	Create an open pound herring spawn on kelp fishery in Sitka Sound, as follows:		
167	Redefine the boundaries of the Hoonah Sound spawn-on-kelp fishery (13-C) and the Sitka sac roe fishery (13-A/B), as follows:		
168	Repeal commercial set gillnet sac roe herring fisheries in Section 1-F, as follows:		



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169	Repeal commercial set gillnet sac roe herring fisheries in Sections 1-E and 1-F, as follows:		
233	Remove districts 13-A and 13-B from Northern Southeast herring spawn on kelp pound fishery administrative area, as follows:		
170	Establish a positive customary and traditional use finding for shellfish and plants for all intertidal areas of Southeast Alaska and Yakutat, as follows:		
171	Change the start of the pot shrimp season from October to after March, as follows:		
172	Change the pot shrimp fishery from a fall/winter season to a spring/summer season, as follows:		
173	Repeal rainbow trout size limits in Crystal, Glacier, and Moraine lakes, as follows:		
174	Change the pot shrimp season in Districts 2 and 6 from a fall/winter season to spring/summer season, as follows:		
Oppose	0	14	The AC is against this proposal because warm temperatures in the spring will negatively affect quality and small shrimp being returned to sea will likely die. The pounds of roe harvested in fall fishery would not be present in the spring resulting in more individual shrimp



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			harvested for same quota. Light shells in the spring are an inferior product.
175	Limit the number of shrimp pots that may be deployed on a longline to 10, as follows:		
176	Reduce the number of shrimp pots that a vessel may fish, as follows:		
Oppose	0	14	Proposer fishes out of a skiff and wants to make the season last longer. Shrimping is costly and its best to be as efficient as possible. This proposal would slow the catch rate and increase expenses for harvesting shrimp.
177	Establish closed waters in the Hydaburg area of Section 3-A, as follows:		
Oppose	0	14	The commercial season in 3A was 11 days with over 124,000 lbs harvested.
178	Expand waters closed to commercial pot shrimp fishery in Kasaan Bay, as follows:		
Oppose	0	14	This proposal tries to close off an area of the state for their own personal gain, if there is sufficient biomass for a sustainable fishery it should be open to all users, if not close the area to all. The AC is against closing any area for specific user groups. There is plenty of time for residents and nonresidents to catch their personal shrimp. The commercial season is very short in this area.



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179	Expand waters closed to commercial pot shrimp fishery in Twelve-Mile Arm, as follows:		
Oppose	0	14	The AC feels that there is plenty of time for residents and nonresidents to catch their personal shrimp. The commercial season is very short in this area.
180	Repeal observer coverage requirement, as follows:		
Support	10	0	The AC supports a proposal by a member of the Wrangell Community. The observer requirement is limited to the directed side stripe shrimp fishery, but ADF&G has never required an onboard observer, and the fishery has only been opened 11 times. ADF&G would pay for the cost of the observer as necessary for data collection. If the shrimper has to pay for the observer, the cost per day could be greater than the value of shrimp caught for some days. Wrangell shrimpers are willing to provide Department shrimp catch data as needed for management.
181	Open a directed sidestripe beam trawl fishery in District 8 for remainder of November-February season once the directed shrimp beam trawl fishery has closed, as follows:		
Comment			Proposer present and intends on pulling support.
182	Divide the District 15 GHR into two fishing areas with distinct GHRs for the new areas, as follows:		
183	Establish tunnel eye size requirements for ridged mesh shrimp pots in the personal use and sport fisheries, as follows:		



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Oppose	0	14	Current illegal pots can be fixed by closing off a small section of the tunnel thus making it legal.
184	Clarify the practice of long-lining shrimp pots in the sport fishery, as follows:		
185	Allow the use of artificial lights as an attractant when taking squid., as follows:		
Support	14	0	The AC supports this proposal because it is an attempt to add a new fishery to Alaska. In the future this could add some tax benefits and control predatory squid.
186	Allow the take of squid with hook and line gear with an unlimited number of hooks, as follows:		
Support	14	0	The Board needs to clarify the hook limit and what is a hook for squid.
187	Allow the department to modify weekly fishing periods by emergency order during the weeks of Christmas and New Year's Day, as follows:		
188	Change the start of the sea cucumber fishery from October 1 to the first Monday or Tuesday of October, as follows:		
189	Allow the department to increase the number of divers allowed to fish from a vessel from two to four by emergency order, as follows:		
Comment			No divers in the room.
190	Amend the Red King Crab Management Plan to include trip limits and equal share quotas when harvestable surplus is below threshold, as follows:		



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Comment			No red, brown or tanner fishermen in the room.
191	Amend the Southeast Alaska Red King Crab Management Plan to base harvestable surplus on historical fishery performance information when surveys are not available, as follows:		
192	Establish minimum guideline harvest level and guidance on inseason adjustment of guideline harvest levels in the Southeast Alaska golden king crab fishery, as follows:		
193	Extend northern boundary of the Southern management area, as follows:		
194	Remove Glacier Bay from the list of blue king crab fishing areas within Registration Area A, as follows:		
195	Extend Tanner crab fishing season in exploratory areas, as follows:		
196	Reduce the commercial golden king crab pot limit in waters of Registration Area A from 100 pots per vessel to 80 pots per vessel, as follows:		
197	Modify Tanner crab harvest strategy definition of core, non-core, and exploratory areas, as follows:		
198	Establish fixed start date for the Registration Area A commercial Tanner crab fishery, as follows:		



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199	Allow operation of personal use, subsistence, or sport Dungeness crab and shrimp pot gear during the commercial king or Tanner crab fishery, as follows:		
200	Close the Dungeness crab commercial and nonresident sport fisheries in the vicinity of Klawock, as follows:		
Oppose	0	15	This proposal tries to close off an area of the state for their own personal gain, if there is sufficient biomass for a sustainable fishery it should be open to all users, if not close the area to all. The AC is against closing any area for specific user groups.
201	Expand closed water boundary lines for the Dungeness crab commercial fishery in the Sitka Sound Special Use Area during the summer season, as follows:		
202	Reduce waters closed to Dungeness crab commercial fishing in Tenakee Inlet, as follows:		
Support	14	1 abstain	This area should not be closed at all.
203	Repeal closed waters for Dungeness crab commercial fishing in Merrifield Bay and Port Protection, as follows:		
Support	14	1 abstain	This area should not be closed at all.
204	Close the Dungeness crab sport fishery in the vicinity of Coffman Cove, as follows:		



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205	Close waters in Coffman Cove to commercial fishing for Dungeness crab, as follows:		
Oppose	0	15	This proposal tries to close off an area of the state for their own personal gain, if there is sufficient biomass for a sustainable fishery it should be open to all users, if not close the area to all. The AC is against closing any area for specific user groups.
206	Close the Dungeness crab sport fishery in the vicinity of Whale Pass, as follows:		
Oppose	0	15	This proposal tries to close off an area of the state for their own personal gain, if there is sufficient biomass for a sustainable fishery it should be open to all users, if not close the area to all. The AC is against closing any area for specific user groups.
207	Close waters in Whale Pass to commercial fishing for Dungeness crab, as follows:		
Oppose	0	15	This proposal tries to close off an area of the state for their own personal gain, if there is sufficient biomass for a sustainable fishery it should be open to all users, if not close the area to all. The AC is against closing any area for specific user groups.
208	Close waters in Kasaan Bay to commercial fishing for Dungeness crab, as follows:		
Oppose	0	15	This proposal tries to close off an area of the state for their own personal gain, if there is sufficient biomass for a sustainable fishery it should be open to all users, if not close the area to all. The AC is against closing any area for specific user groups.



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209	Reduce the number of crab pots allowed and the Dungeness crab bag limit for nonresident anglers in District 3, as follows:		
210	Establish waters closed to commercial fishing for Dungeness crab in Sukwaan Strait, as follows:		
Oppose	0	15	This proposal tries to close off an area of the state for their own personal gain, if there is sufficient biomass for a sustainable fishery it should be open to all users, if not close the area to all. The AC is against closing any area for specific user groups
211	Repeal and amend Dungeness crab fishing season in Sitka Sound Special Use Area, as follows:		
212	Extend pot storage allowance after fishery closure, as follows:		
Support	15	0	We support allowing crab fishermen seven days to retrieve gear. This could easily be a safety issue.
213	Extend pot storage allowance after fishery closure, as follows:		
214	Clarify that Dungeness crab pots are circular in shape, as follows:		
Oppose	0	15	Pots that are 50" in perimeter should be legal no matter what shape. Don't make fishermen buy new pots because they are not round, possibly set maximum by cubic inches.



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215	Align state waters sablefish fishing season with federal sablefish fishing season, as follows:		
216	Extend sablefish fishing season to December 15, as follows:		
217	Adjust lingcod bycatch allocations between groundfish and salmon fisheries, as follows:		
218	Establish registration requirements for the Pacific cod directed fishery, as follows:		
219	Clarify lawful gear for rockfish retention, as follows:		
220	Allow pot gear in the Northern Southeast Inside Subdistrict sablefish commercial fishery, as follows:		
221	Reduce the minimum inside diameter of circular escape rings from four inches to three and three fourths of an inch on pots used to take sablefish, as follows:		
222	Require CFEC permit holders fishing for groundfish or halibut using hook-and-line, pot, or jig gear in the Eastern Gulf of Alaska Area to retain and land all rockfish, including thornyhead rockfish, as follows:		



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223	Establish and clarify gear specifications of a groundfish pot for the subsistence and personal use sablefish fisheries, as follows:		
224	Allow rod and reel as lawful gear to harvest rockfish for personal use, as follows:		
225	Modify sablefish bag, possession, and nonresident annual limits based on sablefish abundance in NSEI and SSEI sections, as follows:		
226	Establish bag and possession limit for slope rockfish, as follows:		
227	Reduce the nonpelagic rockfish bag and possession limits and prohibit retention of yellow rockfish, as follows:		
Support	7	2 oppose 1 abstain	A majority of the AC members support the proposal because it removes protections for many rock fish but keeps the protection for yelloweye, which are a stock of concern. It was noted by the minority that 90% of the sport harvest of rock fish are the Demersal Shelf Rockfish (DSR), which are longer lived than the pelagic rockfish which need some protection. There was agreement that there is abundance of quillback rock fish which need little protection
228	Reduce the nonpelagic rockfish bag and possession limits and prohibit the retention of yelloweye rockfish by nonresidents in the SSEI Section, as follows:		
229	Establish lingcod bag, possession, size, and annual limits for nonresidents in the Central Southeast Outside Waters section, as follows:		



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230			Amend the Demersal shelf rockfish delegation of authority and provisions for management to provide a resident priority, as follows:
231			Amend harvest record recording requirements for lingcod, as follows:

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Next agenda item was consideration of the DRAFT-Stikine River and Andrew Creek King Salmon Stock Status and Action Plan, 2021 (RC Report to the Board of Fisheries)

Motion to not make the Stikine River King Salmon a stock of concern as recommended in the Report.

Discussion: Majority of the AC supports allowing the Department and the Board of Fish to Manage the Stikine River King Salmon without it being designated a stock of concern. A designation of a Stock of Concern could restrict management options available, and once designated could be difficult to remove the designation. A stock of Concern designation could be made at a later date if needed.

Support:9

Oppose:0

One AC member left the meeting prior to consideration of the Report.

