

**Submitted at the request of Board Member Mitchell prepared by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game<sup>i</sup>**

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Substitute language for proposals 80

5 AAC 29.060 is amended to read:

**5 AAC 29.060. Allocation of king salmon in the Southeastern Alaska-Yakutat Area.**

(a) The department shall manage the commercial and sport king salmon fisheries in the Southeastern Alaska-Yakutat Area in accordance with the conservation and harvest goals of the Pacific Salmon Treaty, as implemented by the Pacific Salmon Commission.

(b) The department shall manage the sport and commercial net and troll fisheries in accordance with the annual harvest ceiling established by the Pacific Salmon Commission. During a directed king salmon fishery in District 8 and District 11, an allowable catch above the baseline harvest level will not be counted towards the annual harvest ceiling. The annual harvest allocation of the annual harvest ceiling for each fishery is as follows:

(1) purse seine fishery: 4.3 percent of the annual harvest ceiling;

(2) drift gillnet fishery: 2.9 percent of the annual harvest ceiling;

(3) set gillnet fishery: 1,000 king salmon;

(4) troll fishery: 80 percent, after the net fishery allocations in (1) - (3) of this subsection are subtracted from the annual harvest ceiling;

(5) sport fishery: 20 percent, after the net fishery allocations in (1) - (3) of this subsection are subtracted from the annual harvest ceiling[.];

**(6) If the projected annual Southeast Alaska all-gear harvest is below the annual harvest ceiling, any remaining allocation from those gear groups listed in (1) – (5) of this subsection may be allocated to the troll fishery beginning at a season date determined by the department and established by emergency order.**

(c) When computing the harvest allocations under this section, the department shall take into consideration that the Pacific Salmon Commission's annual harvest ceiling includes a pretreaty base level of 5,000 Alaska hatchery-produced king salmon and the risk factor for computing the Alaska hatchery contribution. Alaska hatchery-produced king salmon above the 5,000 fish base and the risk factor are excluded from the annual harvest ceiling. In determining each fisheries' allocation of the Pacific Salmon Commission's harvest ceiling, the department

shall apportion the risk factor for computing the Alaska hatchery contribution and the 5,000 fish base into components for each fishery.

(d) For the purpose of calculating the king salmon harvest, the annual harvest period shall begin with the opening of the winter salmon troll season. For the purpose of calculating harvest performance for the king salmon fisheries under this section, the harvest in the sport and commercial net and troll fisheries will be applied to the cumulative harvest on an annual basis, as opposed to the harvest ceiling.

**(e) If the Southeast Alaska all-gear annual harvest exceeds the annual harvest ceiling established by the Pacific Salmon Commission, in the year following any overage, the department shall manage the commercial and sport king salmon fisheries in the Southeastern Alaska-Yakutat Area according to (b) of this section based on the revised annual harvest ceiling established by the Pacific Salmon Commission.**

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