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RE: Stocks of Concern - comments

On the Northern Southeast AK King Salmon action plan we would **recommend Option B** with a **correction on page 26** – District 15 second bullet point in Section 15-A using EO Authority

- Close waters on the [EAST] **west** side of upper Lynn Canal . . .

SEAFA prefers Option B as the Department has shown time and time again that they will further restrict the gillnet fleet as necessary or start with option B and add an additional bullet point that the Dept may using the following options to further restrict the fishery as necessary:

- Additional time and area closures including delaying the start of the fishery as well as extending the maximum mesh size restriction and night closures in District 15.

	Boats Fishing Area	Sockeye	Chum
Stat week 26	60	590	11,631
Stat week 27	105	1,399	76,245
Stat week 28	121	4,414	185,283

District 15 fishing per announcements

According to the data provided at the Gillnet Salmon Task Force meeting the gillnet fleet for the season caught approximately **28 Chilkat Chinook salmon**. **While this stock has just met escapement, we are improving the run and would lose significant portion of an individuals income for using the additional restrictions in Option C.**

Sincerely,

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