

PROPOSAL 27

I believe that a reduced Silver Salmon limit is reasonable. This year we did see a below average run of silver salmon, possibly even the worst year that I've seen in my 17 years on the Naknek River. I don't believe that it's the end of the world, I would lean to the side of it's more on the bottom end of the natural ebbs and flows that we see of salmon runs and mother nature. I think it's just as likely that next year will be a fantastic run. That being said, if the committee would like to lower the limit in a manner such as moving the daily limit from 5 to 3 fish or make it a nonresident possession limit of 15 fish. I think those are both reasonable ideas. I don't like the idea of the annual limit. Mostly due to my assumption on how the state would be forced to try to regulate that. The idea of potentially having to stop fishing and write down a harvest on a fishing license in the rain and wind of August every time you catch a silver seem unreasonable. Not saying that's how it would be done but it is my assumption on what would need to be done. I believe lower daily bag limit or possession limit would have a similar affect with easier execution.

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With all the talks in this session about the "declining king salmon runs" I sincerely hope that we wouldn't consider this proposal. We have already seen the devastation that that has been done to the king and Sockeye runs in the past when in river netting is allowed. This would do more damage in a single tide then every sportfisherman on the river could do in a season and it's not even close.

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