Closed Areas (1 proposal)

PROPOSAL 159

5 AAC 39.XXX. New Section.
Close commercial fishing for a given species within one-fourth of a mile of any area closed to sport fishing for that species, as follows:

In areas where sport or other personal use fishing is closed it shall be unlawful to commercially harvest or target the stock of that species within 1/4 mile of the area closed to sport fishing.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The state doesn’t follow their own regulations in regards to mixed fisheries. There are locations where streams are closed to salmon fishing but commercial fishing openers will open the same streams to commercial fishing. One example is port Valdez where all streams with the exception of robe river are closed but port cleanup commercial openers open all anadromous streams to commercial harvest.

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