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#### **Preliminary Actions Taken**

#### Dungeness Crab (2)

- <u>ACR 1</u> Implement a pot limit for the North Peninsula commercial Dungeness Crab Fishery (5 AAC 32.425) (Vote: 5-2; scheduled for the January 2023, Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim Finfish meeting)
- F ACR 2 Reduce harvest thresholds in the Southeastern Alaska Area Dungeness CrabFisheries Management Plan (5 AAC 32.146). (Vote: 0-6; Jensen recused)

### Salmon Troll Fishery (1)

F ACR 3 Reduce legal length for king salmon in Districts 12 and 13 during the spring troll fishery (5 AAC 29.140). (Vote: 0-6; Jensen recused)

#### Prince William Sound Groundfish (7)

- F ACR 4 Extend the Prince William Sound state waters sablefish fishing season (5 AAC 28.210). (Vote: 3-4)
- F ACR 5 Repeal prohibition on retaining sablefish caught in the federal fishery while participating in the Prince William Sound sablefish fishery during the same trip (5 AAC 28.272). (Vote: 0-7)
- F ACR 6 Repeal provisions of the *Prince William Sound Pacific Cod Management Plan* allowing the mechanical jig, hand troll, and pot gear allocation to step-up/step-down annually (5 AAC 28.267). (Vote: 0-7)
- F ACR 7 Increase pot limit in the Prince William Sound state waters Pacific cod fishery (5AAC 28.267). (Vote: 0-7)
- <u>C</u> <u>ACR 8</u> Allow groundfish pots to be longlined in the Prince William Sound Area (5 AAC 28.230). (Vote: 5-2; scheduled for the January 2023, Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim Finfish meeting.)

- <u>C</u> <u>ACR 9</u> Adopt gear marking requirements for longlined pot gear in the Prince William Sound Area (5 AAC 28.230). (Vote: 5-2; scheduled for the January 2023, Arctic/Yukon/Kuskokwim Finfish meeting)
- F ACR 10 Reduce waters closed to commercial fishing for groundfish with pot gear in Prince William Sound (5 AAC 28.250). (Vote: 0-7)

### **Upper Cook Inlet Salmon (10)**

- F ACR 11 Eliminate 'paired restrictions' in the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 21.359). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)
- F ACR 12 Make numerous changes to management of the king salmon sport fishery and Upper Subdistrict commercial set gillnet fishery in the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 21.359). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)
- F ACR 13 Repeal provisions of the *Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan* that restrict the Upper Subdistrict set gillnet when the Kenai River late-run king salmon optimal escapement goal is projected to not be met and when preseason restrictions are implemented for the Kenai River late-run king salmon sport fishery (5 AAC 21.359). (*Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused*)
- F ACR 14 Repeal several restrictions on the Upper Subdistrict set gillnet fishery in the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 21.359). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)
- F ACR 15 When the Kenai River late-run king salmon optimal escapement goal is projected to not be met allow commercial fishing for salmon with set gillnet gear in the Upper Subdistrict with a prohibition on retention of king salmon (5AAC 21.359). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)
- F ACR 16 Repeal restrictions on set gillnet gear in the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan (5 AAC 21.359). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)
- F ACR 17 Repeal provisions exempting the Upper Subdistrict set gillnet fishery operated within 600 feet of the mean high tide mark from hour and gear limitations in the *Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan* (5 AAC 21.359). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)
- F ACR 18 Provide greater flexibility in set gillnet configuration when set gillnet gear is restricted under the *Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan* (5 AAC 21.359). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)
- F ACR 19 Provide additional commercial fishing opportunity with set gillnet gear in the Kasilof Section and Kasilof River Special Harvest Area (5 AAC 21.359 and 5 AAC 21.365). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)
- F ACR 20 Define a new gear type: 'flagged set gillnet' and allow commercial fishing for salmon in the Upper Subdistrict with flagged gillnets when the Kenai River late-run king salmon optimal escapement goal is projected to not be met (5 AAC 21.359). (Vote: 0-6; Heimbuch recused)

Note: "C" means motion carried; "F" means motion failed.