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**Alaska Board of Fisheries**  
**LOWER COOK INLET FINFISH**  
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Land’s End Resort, Homer

**TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP**  
**(47 proposals)**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 1: KING SALMON SPORT FISHERIES (17 proposals:**  
**Chair -Godfrey)**

***Upper Cook Inlet Summer Fishery (5 proposals)***

- 1 Amend the *Upper Cook Inlet Summer Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan (This proposal will be heard and public testimony will be taken at both the LCI and UCI meetings and deliberated at the UCI meeting)*
- 2 Amend the *Upper Cook Inlet Summer Salt Water King Salmon Management Plan (This proposal will be heard and public testimony will be taken at both the LCI and UCI meetings and deliberated at the UCI meeting)*
- 3 Amend the management plans for the Upper Cook Inlet Summer and Kenai River late-run king salmon fisheries (*This proposal will be heard and public testimony will be taken at both the LCI and UCI meetings and deliberated at the UCI meeting*)
- 4 Redefine the boundaries of the Upper Cook Inlet Area (*This proposal will be heard and public testimony will be taken at both the LCI and UCI meetings and deliberated at the UCI meeting*)
- 5 Allow fishing from shore in the marine waters adjacent to Ninilchik River and Deep Creek year round

***Lower Cook Inlet Summer Fishery (3 Proposals)***

- 6 Create a management plan and establish a guideline harvest level for the lower Cook Inlet summer saltwater king salmon sport fishery
- 7 Prohibit snagging and spear fishing for king salmon in Seldovia Harbor and Lagoon until June 24
- 8 Prohibit snagging in Seldovia Bay

***Winter Fishery (3 proposals)***

- 9 Review management options in the *Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan*
- 10 Modify king salmon limits in the *Cook Inlet Winter Salt Water King Salmon Sport Fishery*
- 11 Allow Alaska resident anglers to use two rods for salmon

***North Gulf Coast (1 proposals)***

- 12 Modify the *North Gulf Coast King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan*



***Fresh Water (5 proposals)***

- 13 Create a management plan for the Anchor River, Deep Creek, and Ninilchik River king salmon sport fisheries
- 14 Modify the Ninilchik River hatchery king salmon limits and season
- 15 Extend the area open to hatchery king salmon on the Ninilchik River
- 16 Expand the boundary of the Ninilchik River Youth-Only fishery
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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 2: GROUND FISH (11 proposals: Chair -Carpenter)**

***Sport Fisheries (7 proposals)***

- 18 Modify rockfish bag and possession limits
- 19 Reduce rockfish limits in Cook Inlet - Resurrection Bay
- 20 Reduce Lower Cook Inlet rockfish sport limits
- 21 Reduce Lower Cook Inlet rockfish sport limits
- 22 Establish a sport fishing closure for rockfish in Cook Inlet from June 1 - July 31
- 23 Reduce Lower Cook Inlet lingcod sport limits
- 24 Remove limits for spiny dogfish in Cook Inlet waters

***Commercial Fisheries (4 Proposals)***

- 25 Reduce Cook Inlet commercial and sport rockfish harvest limits
- 26 Reduce Cook Inlet commercial and sport lingcod harvest
- 27 Open Cook Inlet commercial sablefish season earlier
- 28 Change gear group allocation in the *Cook Inlet Pacific Cod Management Plan*

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 3: Other Salmon, Trout, Herring (15 proposals: Chair -M. Wood)**

***Sport Fisheries (1 Proposal)***

- 29 Prohibit use of helicopters to transport anglers to select Cook Inlet waters

***Personal Use & Subsistence (4 Proposals)***

- 30 Add provisions to allow for subsistence harvest on herring spawn on kelp
- 31 Extend the China Poot personal use fishery season dates
- 32 Move the China Poot personal use dip net regulations under the *Cook Inlet Personal Use Fishery Management Plan*
- 33 Redefine the Kachemak Bay personal use dip net fishery area

***Commercial (10 Proposals)***

- 34 Create a *Kamhishak Bay Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan*
- 35 Create a *Kachemak Bay Wild Fish Priority Management Plan*
- 36 Amend the *Tutka Bay Lagoon Salmon Hatchery Management Plan*
- 37 Modify legal gear in the *Trail Lakes Salmon Hatchery Management Plan*
- 38 Modify legal gear in Lower Cook Inlet special harvest areas
- 39 Amend the list of waters closed to commercial fishing in Cook Inlet



- 40 Amend waters closed to commercial fishing for salmon
- 41 Close a portion of Tutka Bay to commercial fishing for salmon
- 42 Readopt the *Bear Lake Management Plan*
- 43 Amend Basic Management Plans (*This proposal will be heard and public testimony will be taken at both the LCI and UCI meetings and deliberated at the UCI meeting*)

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 4: Bristol Bay and Southeast Alaska salmon (4 proposals: Chair - Zuray)**

***Bristol Bay Sport Fisheries (1 Proposal)***

- 256 Repeal the no bait regulation and all the use of non-roe bait for salmon, other than king salmon

***Southeast Alaska (3 Proposals)***

- 257 Amend the *Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan* to align with new methods to set catch limits adopted by the Pacific Salmon Commission
- 258 Amend the *Southeast Alaska King Salmon Management Plan* to align with changes adopted by the Pacific Salmon Commission to maintain the troll and sport fishery allocations
- 259 Manage the Southeast Alaska king salmon sport fishery to not exceed the annual sport fishery harvest allocation