Matanuska Valley AC Supplement to Matanuska Valley AC Comments (AC008)

REVISED MATANUSKA VALLEY AC SUPPORT, AS AMENDED UCI PROPOSALS (AC008)

- **Proposal 204, (p** 1): Allow hook and line attached to a rod or pole as subsistence gear to take king salmon in the Yentna River drainage.
 - Amendment: The Board should clarify when ADFG should close the Northern Cook Inlet subsistence king salmon fisheries because of conservation reasons.
- **Proposal 1, (p 6):** Amend the Upper Cook Inlet Summer Salt water King Salmon Sport Fishery Management Plan.
 - Amendment 1: Change the date of May 15 to May 1 in (g).
 - Amendment 2: add to (g) If the Deshka River preseason forecast or inseason projection is less than the lower end of the sustainable escapement goal of 9,000-18,000 king salmon, the upper Cook Inlet salt waters north of Bluff Point (59° 40.00' N. lat) within a mile of shore shall be closed to the retention of king salmon from May 1 to July 15.
- **Proposal 234, (p 9):** Clarify the northern boundary of the Knik Arm management area and the Palmer-Wasilla Zone and exclude certain flowing waters from the Palmer-Wasilla Zone
 - Amendment: Request that ADF&G to determine if ADF&G is willing to work with AC representatives to develop a combined or amended proposal on Palmer Wasilla Zone: Proposal 234 and 235.

Proposal 239, (p 11): Establish a large king salmon escapement goal for the Little Susitna River.

- Amendment 1: Prohibit retention of king salmon less than 20 inches when fishery is closed; allow retention of king salmon less than 20 inches when catch and release fishing for king salmon is allowed. Fish Subcommittee vote on the Amendment: 5-2. Proposal presented to full AC as the Amended proposal.
- Amendment 2: Establish Large king salmon escapement goals for the Deshka & Little Su Rivers.
- **Proposal 243, (p 13):** Create a bag and possession limit of 3 coho salmon in the Knik Arm Drainages.
 - Amendment: If there is enough coho salmon to allow Northern District set net fishermen to fish additional gear (permit stacking), then there is enough fish to allow a 3 fish bag limit for sport Coho salmon fishing.

Proposal 216, (p 26): Reduce the commercial smelt guideline harvest level in Upper Cook Inlet

• Amendment: <u>Create a new smelt commercial fishery in the vicinity of the mouth of the Kenai River.</u> Transfer 100 tons of the Northern Cook Inlet smelt quota to this new smelt fishery in the vicinity of the mouth of the Kenai River. The Northern District smelt quota would be reduced by 100 tons. The new smelt fishery in the vicinity of the mouth of the Kenai River would also have a quota of 100 tons.

- **Proposal 255** (p 29): Create a personal use dip net fishery for salmon in the 20-Mile and Placer Rivers
 - Amendment: Reduce proposed fishery to 1 day/week
- **Proposal 86** (p 32): Prohibit bait in the Kenai River through October 31 if the king salmon sport fishery is closed by EO.
 - Amendment: Prohibit bait through August 31 if OEG is not achieved

Proposal 103 (p 33): Allow use of dipnets in the Upper Subdistrict commercial salmon fishery

- Amendment 1: Allow 4 dipnets per permit holder
- Amendment 2: Eliminate >25 ft boat restriction.
- **Proposal 106** (p 34): Restrict legal set gillnet gear when the Upper Subdistrict commercial salmon fishery is open within 600 feet of shore.
 - Amendment: The AC's intent is to limit the gillnets to 2 set gillnets, 29 meshes deep, 35 fathoms long.
- **Proposal 187** (p 45): Close Hidden Lake to fishing for Lake Trout from September 15th November 30.
 - Amendment 1: <u>Prohibit retention of lake trout from September 15 November 30.</u>
 - Amendment 2: <u>During the above time period, gear is limited to one unbaited, single hook artificial lure.</u>
- **Proposal 202** (p 47): Reduce the legal mesh size of a set gillnet in the UCI personal use fisheries.
 - Amendment: Add that gillnets shall be no deeper than 29 meshes.
- **Proposal 161** (p 49): Restrict guided shoreline anglers on the Kenai River to 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., from July 1 to August 15
 - Amendment: <u>Prohibit guided shore-based angling on the Kenai River from 3:00 p.m.</u> to 11:59 p.m.