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### Comments on Proposal 138

The Department has made several comments regarding this proposal. It is my intention that this Lead be allowed in those areas described as the East Side Set Nets of the Central District.

Discussion – If the Lead were able to be used by a set net operator on the West Side, this could have unknown consequences such as diverting coho off of a beach for interception by a drift boat.

I have thought of and suggested multiple potential uses for a fixed lead. But for this proposal to be less complex, I will suggest that the lead be affixed to shore and run out perpendicular to shore in the configuration of a typical set net.

I chose 105 fathoms as it is a common measurement in the set net industry. However, I do see that there is in regulation a requirement that a beach seine be AT LEAST 90 Fathoms, so I would like this proposal to mirror that.

Approval within 1200 feet was meant to inform enforcement issues. This net is meant to “bump” or direct kings away from a gillnet by those using it.

Specific invitation to consider use within the Kasilof PU gillnet fishery is a part of this proposal.