

ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES
Statewide King and Tanner Crab (except Southeast/Yakutat) and Supplemental Issues
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Proposal Index of Comments

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		FISH AND GAME	SUPPORT	GENERAL COMMENT	OPPOSITION
COMMITTEE A - Gulf of Alaska Crab (19 Proposals)					
Statewide King and Tanner Crab (1 proposal)					
326	Close all commercial king and Tanner crab fisheries, except Southeastern Alaska.	O			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chignik AC 2 ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Kodiak AC 17 ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15
Prince William Sound Crab (7 proposals)					
327	Update regulatory description of king crab Registration Area E.	S			
328	Update regulatory description of Tanner crab Registration Area E.	S			
329	Establish a guideline harvest range (GHR) for Tanner crab in Prince William Sound based on commercial fishery opened with 10-pot limit.	N/O		● Copper River/PWS AC 4	
330	Establish a guideline harvest range (GHR) for Tanner crab in Prince William Sound based on commercial fishery opened with 15-pot limit.	N/O		● Copper River/PWS AC 4	

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331	Establish a guideline harvest range (GHR) for Tanner crab in Prince William Sound based on commercial fishery opened with 20-pot limit.	N/O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copper River/PWS AC 4 		
332	Open a commercial Tanner crab fishery in Prince William Sound for intervals no greater than two years.	N/O		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Cordova PC 14 	
333	Open a commercial Tanner crab fishery in Prince William Sound in March and April with vessel length and pot limit.	N/O		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copper River/PWS AC 4 • City of Cordova PC 14 	
Cook Inlet Crab (3 proposals)					
334	Modify the harvest strategy for Registration Area H Tanner crab.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Peninsula AC 1 • Seldovia AC 16 		
335	Change season dates of the fisheries to October 15 through March 15.	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Peninsula AC 1 • Seldovia AC 16 		
336	Modify sport fishing season, pot size requirements, pot limit, and bag limit for Cook Inlet Tanner crab.	N/O			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Peninsula AC 1 • Seldovia AC 16
Kodiak Crab (3 proposals)					
337	Repeal prohibition on subsistence Tanner crab fishing 14 days before participating in a king or Tanner crab commercial opening.	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kodiak AC 17 S/A 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kodiak/Aleutians Subsistence Regional Advisory Council PC 17
338	Close Alitak Bay to subsistence and commercial king and Tanner crab fishing.	N			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kodiak AC 17
339	Amend description of area and districts.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kodiak AC 17 		
Kodiak and South Peninsula Crab (1 proposal)					
340	Clarify weather-delay regulations to open the Tanner crab seasons in the Kodiak and South Peninsula areas.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sand Point AC 5 • Kodiak AC 17 		
Kodiak, Chignik and South Peninsula Crab (1 proposal)					

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341	Repeal Tanner crab tank inspection requirements.	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chignik AC 2 S/A ● Kodiak AC 17 S/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sand Point AC 5 	
South Peninsula Crab (2 proposals)					
342	Change Tanner crab fishery opening to January 3.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chignik AC 3 S/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kodiak AC 17 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sand Point AC 5
343	Amend description of king and Tanner crab registration area and districts.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Kodiak AC 17 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sand Point AC 5 	
Registration Area J Tanner Crab (1 proposal)					
347	Amend description of registration area and districts.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Kodiak AC 17 		
COMMITTEE B - Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands Crab (23 proposals)					
Norton Sound Crab (3 proposals)					
344	Add spiny king crab (<i>Paralithodes brevipes</i>) as defined species of king crab.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Northern Norton Sound AC 13 ● Southern Norton Sound AC 21 ● St. Lawrence Island AC 22 		
345	Allow king crab be taken by hand line during winter commercial fishery in the Norton Sound Section.	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Northern Norton Sound AC 13 ● Southern Norton Sound AC 21 ● St. Lawrence Island AC 22 ● Richard Ferry PC 3 		
346	Adjust red king crab harvest rates and trigger points based on changes in abundance model.	O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● St. Lawrence Island AC 22 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Northern Norton Sound AC 13 ● Southern Norton Sound AC 21 	
Aleutian Islands Crab (10 proposals)					

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348	Increase harvest limit for Aleutian Islands golden king crab.	O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 S/A ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15 		
349	Modify Aleutian Islands golden king crab season.	O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 S/A ● Chad Hoefer PC 5 S/A 		
350	Establish districts for western Aleutian Islands red king crab.	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Adak Community Development Corporation PC 20 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15
351	Establish management measures for Adak red king crab fishery.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Adak Community Development Corporation PC 20 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15
352	Close federal waters between 171° W. long. and 179° W. long. to fishing when red king crab guideline harvest level (GHL) in state-waters is less than 250,000 pounds.	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Adak Community Development Corporation PC 20 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15
353	Establish registration deadline for Adak red king crab.	O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Adak Community Development Corporation PC 20 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15
354	Open Adak red king crab fishery by emergency order July 1.	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Adak Community Development Corporation PC 20 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15

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355	Exempt persons and vessels participating in Adak District red king crab fishery from participation in certain other fisheries.	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Adak Community Development Corporation PC 20 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15
356	Add Adak as tank inspection location for red king crab.	O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Adak Community Development Corporation PC 20 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15
357	Amend description of Aleutian Islands king crab registration area.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 		
Bering Sea Crab (5 proposals)					
358	Revise Saint Matthew Island blue king crab fishery harvest strategy.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15 		
359	Allow groundfish pots in Saint Matthew Island blue king crab fishery.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 		
360	Eliminate king crab pot marking for Registration Area Q (Bering Sea).	N/O		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 	
361	Modify gear marking requirements for longline pots in the Bering Sea golden king crab fishery.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 		
362	Specify vertical placement of escape rings and update definition of escape ring placement in Bering Sea Tanner and snow crab fisheries.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Scott Campbell PC 6
Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands Crab (1 proposal)					
363	Clarify vessel check-out provisions in rationalized crab fisheries.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15 		
Crab Observer Program (4 proposals)					

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364	Clarify when a trainee observer permit expires.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15 		
365	Clarify observer definitions for “briefing”, “debriefing”, and “trainee”.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15 		
366	Clarify observer briefing and debriefing instructions.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15 		
367	Update regulations for independent contracting agents.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC 12 ● Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers PC 15 		
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – Miscellaneous Issues (7 proposals)					
370	Modify groundfish bycatch possession requirements.	O			
371	Remove dip net size restrictions for Yukon Area districts 1–3 commercial summer chum salmon fisheries.	O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● John H. Lamont PC 11 ● Yukon Delta Fisheries Development Association PC 19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grayling, Anvik, Shageluk, Holy Cross AC 6 ● Minto Nenana AC 8 ● Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association PC 10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Middle Yukon AC 7 ● Ruby AC 9 ● Yukon Flats AC 11 ● Eagle AC 14 ● Fairbanks AC 15 ● David Daum PC 2

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372	Modify the specifications and operations of a commercial fish wheel in the Yukon Area to allow the use of a lead.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grayling, Anvik, Shageluk, Holy Cross AC 6 ● Middle Yukon AC 7 ● Minto Nenana AC 8 ● Eagle AC 14 ● Fairbanks AC 15 ● Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association PC 10 ● John H. Lamont PC 11 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ruby AC 9 ● Yukon Flats AC 11
373	Remove the exception allowing for a dead king salmon to be taken, but not retained in the Yukon Area districts 1–3 dip net and beach seine commercial summer chum salmon fisheries.	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grayling, Anvik, Shageluk, Holy Cross AC 6 ● Middle Yukon AC 7 ● Minto Nenana AC 8 ● Ruby AC 9 ● Yukon Flats AC 11 ● Eagle AC 14 ● Fairbanks AC 15 	● Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association PC 10	
374	Modify the time period the Nushagak River single-hook regulation is in effect from year-round to May 1 – July 31.	S	● Nushagak AC 18 S/A		
375	Remedy a navigational obstruction in Ugashik River set gillnet salmon fishery.	S/N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lower Bristol Bay AC 20 S/A ● Mary Jane Nielsen PC 12 	● Hattie Albecker PC 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bruce B. Weyhrauch, LLC (Representing Roland & Victoria Briggs, Lindsay Wolfson, Fred Magill, Ted Wolfson, and Tyler Zimmerman PC 8

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377	Authorize use of purse seine gear for commercial harvest of Yukon River summer chum salmon in districts 1–3 during times of king salmon conservation; secondarily the proposal asks for consideration of allowing monofilament purse seine web in this fishery	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● John H. Lamont PC 11 ● Yukon Delta Fisheries Development Association PC 19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grayling, Anvik, Shageluk, Holy Cross AC 6 ● Minto Nenana AC 8 ● Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association PC 10 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Middle Yukon AC 7 ● Ruby AC 9 ● Tanana Rampart Manley AC 10 ● Yukon Flats AC 11 ● Eagle AC 14 ● Fairbanks AC 15 ● David Daum PC 1 ● Dian Gurther PC 16