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Mr. Chairman and members of the Board, for the record my name is Frank Woods. I'm a 50 year old Bristol Bay Area T drift permit holder. I'm here to testify in behave of myself. As someone who depends on living off the returns of salmon to Bristol Bay.

Proposal 44 Support is to Modify Togiak District registration restriction requirements that apply until July 27 to include a fishing vessel. *I support and have supported in the past more protection of the Togiak Districts small run and late timing I have to cringe and bit the bullet because I've been fishing there since the beginning of my fishing career. Voting not with my pocket book but for protection of resource and Togiak and Twin hills and the people which depend on this fragile resource.* Problems is if there is 1 boat and a 2nd permit holder one can register for elsewhere in the bay then 2nd permit holder can register in Togiak whenever they want, defeating the intent of this regulation designed to aid the smaller boats common to Togiak. Adding this language would get to the original intent of the regulation. Some feel July 27 is plenty head start. If the big boats are allowed into Togiak early, the local small boats & skiffs basically have no chance and are cut off. This would add more needed protection.

Proposals 45-48, 50 Oppose *with both gear type (DRIFT AND SET) permit stacking all the information from CFEC that says loud and clear you have changed the fishery and it is a negative change for Alaska and Bristol Bay fishers. I appose all permits staking*

as a regulatory change to manage any fishery. Negative impacts out weight the positive both for set and drift alike. My personal gain is I been fully utilized using a Dual permit and what a huge advantage. Both in production and price with bonus at the end of the year. If this passes make it for all not a select few.

Proposal 59 Support **Revise boundaries of closed waters at Graveyard Point in the Naknek-Kvichak District.** Old ADFG marker was moved in the 1980's -source of some dispute. Current marker is wrong place now - possibly by accident or erosion needs to be moved back to right place. ADFG's current GPS markers may have been set with minimal rigor "State should survey in the markers." To GPS point 58 52 141 N 157 00 774 W Nushagak area Biologist Tim Sands, Our area trooper and permit holder did this for upper Ugashik marker traditional site a few years ago.

Proposal 68 Support so we can re-write Opposed to current management plan would love to revise to match intent of the WRSHA Sockeye management plan more inline with the next proposal 69 support with recommendations from management.

Proposal 89 SUPPORT with a recommendation to shut the fishery down and restructure economics to have full benefit to Alaska. Alaska mandate maximum sustainable yield and economic value to All Alaskans. Justification industry declares it's a loss and we are fishing for them as a courtesy and the last few years it has been a net loss for majority that participated. There has been little or no participation from local area residents. We have got it tuff enough in Alaska fisheries to participate in a net loss fishery. From Togiak from Cape Newingham North has 26,000 tons of unutilized herring. I feel if we continue down this same road Togiak herring will follow. With little or no residents benefiting. In closing Dr Orders for the health of the resource bring up this glaring issue.