

Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game at the request of Board Member Payton.
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Substitute language for Proposal 213

5 AAC 21.358. Northern District Salmon Management Plan.

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(b) The department shall manage the Northern District commercial salmon fisheries **to achieve optimal escapement goal ranges of 20,000 to 65,000 sockeye salmon to Chelatna Lake, 25,000 to 55,000 sockeye salmon to Judd Lake, and 15,000 to 50,000 sockeye salmon to Larson Lake determined by weir counts** [BASED ON THE ABUNDANCE OF SOCKEYE SALMON COUNTED THROUGH THE WEIRS ON LARSON, CHELATNA, AND JUDD LAKES] or other salmon abundance indices as the department deems appropriate.

(c) From July 20 through August 6, if the department's assessment of abundance indicates that restrictions are necessary to achieve the **optimal** escapement goal, the commissioner may, by emergency order, close the set gillnet fishery in the Northern District and immediately reopen a season during which the number of set gillnets that may be used is limited to the following options selected at the discretion of the commissioner, except that from July 31 through August 6, the commissioner may allow the use of two set gillnets in that portion of the General District south of the Susitna River;

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