

PROPOSAL 50

5 AAC 24.301. Seaward boundary of districts.

Define Copper and Bering River District seaward boundaries with geographic coordinates, as follows:

5 AAC 24.301 is amended to read:

For the purpose of managing the historical salmon net fishery in the vicinity of the Copper River and Bering River, the outer boundary of the Copper River and Bering River Districts is a line **from 60° 01.16' N. lat., 144° 00.00' W. long., to 59° 57.98' N. lat., 144° 00.00' W. long. to 59° 44.29' N. lat., 144° 36.12' W. long. to 60° 17.13' N. lat., 146° 15.02' W. long. to Hook Point at 60° 20.11' N. lat., 146° 15.02' W. long.** [THREE MILES DUE SOUTH FROM A LINE FROM CAPE SUCKLING (144° W. LONG.) TO THE SOUTHERNMOST TIP OF PINNACLE ROCK TO AN ADF&G REGULATORY MARKER LOCATED AT THE TIP OF HOOK POINT ON HINCHINBROOK ISLAND AT APPROXIMATELY 60° 20.02' N. LAT., 146° 15.12' W. LONG.]

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The seaward boundaries of the Copper River and Bering River district, as described in regulation, have proven confusing and difficult to interpret. The current regulatory language defines a line three miles due south of a line defined by a combination of two onshore geographic coordinates and an ambiguous headland. The department proposes to simplify this district boundary description by defining a point to point line with coordinates for each of the vertices.

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