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Amend 5AAC 15.357 Chignik Area Salmon Plan

(c)(3) From the end of the transition period described in (b)(2) of this section the department shall manage the Eastern District based on the department's evaluation of local pink and chum salmon runs and its evaluation of the Chignik Lake sockeye salmon run until July 31; after July 31 the department shall manage the Eastern District based on the department's evaluation of local pink, chum, and Coho salmon runs or the strength of the Chignik Lake sockeye salmon run.

AND

(d)(2) From the end of the transition period described in (b)(2) of this section the department shall manage the Western District excluding the Inner Castle Cape Subsection and the Perryville District based on the department's evaluation of local pink and chum salmon runs and its evaluation of the Chignik Lake sockeye salmon run until July 31; after July 31 the department shall manage the Western District excluding the Inner Castle Cape Subsection and the Perryville District based on the department's evaluation of local pink, chum, and Coho salmon runs or the strength of the Chignik Lake sockeye run.

Intent/Purpose: ensure that the Chignik fishermen have ready access to Western District excluding the Inner Castle Cape Subsection and the Perryville and Eastern districts to ensure optimal harvest opportunity on Chignik's local pink, chum, and Coho salmon runs beginning after July 31 but still permit the department to manage these districts as deemed necessary for the Chignik Lake sockeye salmon run.

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