

PROPOSAL 145 5 AAC 09.350. Closed waters and 09.369. Northern District Salmon Fisheries Management Plan.

Restrict commercial fishing for salmon along the coast and in offshore waters of the Outer Port Heiden Section and restrict fishing in offshore waters of the northeast portion of the Ilnik Section, as follows:

5 AAC 09.350. Closed waters. Salmon may not be taken in the following locations:

(3) Outer Port Heiden: waters of the Outer Port Heiden Section

(A) repealed 6/5/2016;

(B) northeast of a line from 56° 59.68' N. lat., 158° 40.45' W. long to 56° 59.68' N. lat., 158° 46.45' W. long;

5 AAC 09.369. Northern District Salmon Fisheries Management Plan

(j) In the Ilnik Section,

(1) notwithstanding 5 AAC 09.320(a)(4), from June 20 through July 20,

(A) commercial salmon fishing will be permitted in the Ilnik Section

(i) southwest of the Unangashak Bluffs based on the abundance of Ilnik River sockeye salmon; and

(ii) northeast of the Unangashak Bluffs based on the abundance of Meshik River and Ilnik River sockeye salmon, combined; **Commercial salmon fishing will be permitted in waters within the Ilnik Section from 3 miles offshore of Strogonof Point to a point 2 miles offshore at Unangashak Bluffs, located at 159° 10.25' W. long that describes the line that separates the SW from the NE portions of the Ilnik Section.**

(iii) The Outer Port Heiden Section is open from June 20 through July 31 to commercial salmon fishing in those waters **southwest** of a line from **56° 59.68' N. lat., 158° 40.45 W. long to 56° 59.68' N. lat., 158° 46.45' W. long.to 56° 58.23' N. lat., 158° 47.15' W long. to 3 miles offshore at Strogonof Point,** based on the abundance of Meshik River sockeye salmon. If the commissioner closes the portion of the Egegik District as specified in 5 AAC 06.359(c) for the conservation of Ugashik River sockeye salmon stocks, the commissioner may, by emergency order, close the Outer Port Heiden Section, and immediately reopen the Outer Port Heiden Section, with additional fishing restrictions that the commissioner determines necessary.