PROPOSAL 50

5 AAC 67.022. Special provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means in the Bristol Bay Area.

Prohibit guiding on the Naknek River drainage during spring from the marker at Lake Camp downstream to the marker at Rapids Camp, as follows:

Amend 5 AAC 67.022(d)

My solution to this issue would be to completely ban guiding on the Naknek during the Spring from the marker at lake camp to the marker at rapids camp. Protecting these fish and their spawn should be of the utmost importance.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The issue I would like the board to address is the issue of Spring guiding on the Naknek river, specifically the area from lakecamp from the marker at Trefons cabin to the marker at rapidscamp.

I firmly believe that there should be a no guiding policy on the Naknek river during the spring spawning period. These trout in the Naknek are overly pursued from the opener on June 8th until the lodges leave mid October or early November. With so much pressure put on this fishery, I believe it is time to implement a no guiding policy during the spring spawn. One only has to look on the many social media sites in the spring to observe what is being done to these rainbows on this river.

These magnificent fish are spawning. It is a time when these fish should be completely left alone unharrassed and allowed to spawn uninterrupted. Not only is it unethical to fish for spawning rainbows it should be against the law.

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