

PROPOSAL 86

5 AAC 01.220. Lawful gear and gear specifications.

Allow subsistence fishing for non-salmon fish with hook and line gear in District 4 of the Yukon Area, as follows:

Allow hook and line gear to be used to catch subsistence non-salmonid fish in the Kaltag, Nulato, and Old Village (or Rodo) River year-round.

We were told that in the regulation book that the winter subsistence exception for hook and line is for all of District 4 but we did not want to speak for the entire district, and these three rivers are important to us and the ones that the people of this area fish with this gear.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The Middle Yukon AC had thought that due to actions on a proposal that they had submitted a long time ago, that it was legal to fish with hook and line for subsistence year round for non-salmonid species in the Kaltag, Nulato and Old Village (or Rodo) Rivers. The people of this area commonly subsistence fish for trout, sheefish, and dollys year-round with gear that they have on hand, including hook and line, and are unaware that this is restricted gear between May 15- September 21. We do not consider this activity sports fishing and find it odd that it would be considered subsistence in the winter but sport in the summer.

PROPOSED BY: Middle Yukon Fish and Game Advisory Committee (EF-F18-105)
