

RC 014

Mr. Chairman, members of the Board,

I am Bryan Horn, a third-generation fishermen from Kodiak, and the vice president of Kodiak Crab Alliance Cooperative. This year we had 49 dues paying permit holders and 49 vessels participating in our fishery. We began this association in 2010 and have been active every year even on years we don't have a fishery.

Board of Fisheries

Kodiak Crab Alliance Cooperative (KCAC) is a group of dues paying Kodiak limited entry permit holders . We represent 95% of the active fleet.

We apologize for our untimely comments on the State wide proposals. Miscommunication and a Tanner season got in our way.

Proposal 257

The association does not support a season change. After careful consideration we caution the board on this proposal. There are many unforeseen consequences to this action and the one that stood out the most to us after talking with the processor community. December is generally a maintenance month and crews tend to vacation this time of the year. We considered later in the season, but that pushes fishermen up against the opening of State grey cod. We support maintaining the season date as it stands.

Proposal 258

The association supports this proposal. We viewed this as house keeping and very straight forward.

Proposal 259

The association does not support this proposal. We see no need to do this, there has not been a fishery in almost forty years. With no fishery on the horizon this seem very premature to implement at this time.

Will this action effect Brown crab fishermen?

Proposal 260

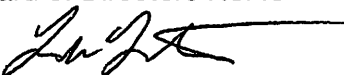
The association does not support this. We see no reason for this action other than a land grab from Chignik. Both the Kodiak area and the Chignik area can access this area if their sections are open. Both areas have used this area and it seems to us the the use has been stable and relatively low catches. We see no biological or increased efforts to see change in this section.

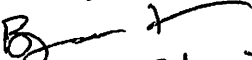
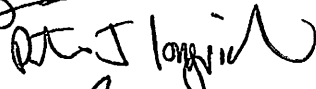
Proposal 264

The association supports this action. Very straight forward alignment.

Thank you for your consideration on these proposals,

Sincerely Board of Directors KCAC

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