

PROPOSAL 227

5 AAC 60.122. Special provisions for the seasons, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm Drainages Area.

Open additional days in the sport fishery in the Fish Creek drainage, as follows:

(5) in the Fish Creek drainage,

(A) the waters from ADF&G regulatory markers located at its mouth upstream to an ADF&G regulatory marker located one-quarter mile upstream from the Knik-Goose Bay Road are open to sport fishing **the first two Saturdays and Sundays in July, and from August 1 - December 31, although fishing on the first Saturday and Sunday in August will remain open only to youths under 16 years of age.** [BEGINNING THE SECOND SATURDAY IN AUGUST THROUGH DECEMBER 31 ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS] from 5:00 am-10 p.m., except that sport fishing for king salmon is closed;

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Please allow more sportfishing for salmon in the small section of Fish Creek that is open to salmon fishing. A harvestable surplus occurs at this location, even though escapement numbers remain lower in nearby streams. Additional fishing days could be added to better utilize harvestable surplus coho and sockeye salmon.

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