

**PROPOSAL 260**

**5 AAC 35.505. Description of Registration Area J districts; 5 AAC 35.506. Area J registration; and 5 AAC 35.507. Kodiak, Chignik, and South Peninsula Districts *C. bairdi* Tanner crab harvest strategies.**

Align boundaries for the Chignik District commercial Tanner crab fishery with the commercial salmon fishery, as follows:

Adjust the boundaries for the Chignik Area for the commercial tanner crab fishery to the same Area boundaries as those used in the commercial salmon fishery as follows:

5 AAC 35.505. Description of Registration Area J Districts. (a) Kodiak District: all Pacific Ocean waters south of the latitude of Cape Douglas (58° 51.10' N. lat.), west of 149° W. long., and east of a line extending **135° southeast from a point near Kilokak Rocks at 57° 10.34' N. lat., 156° 20.22' W. long., (the longitude of the southern entrance to Imuya Bay);** [SOUTH FROM CAPE KUMLIK ALONG 157° 27.00 W. LONG.;

[(5) SEMIDI ISLAND OVERLAP SECTION: ALL WATERS OF THE KODIAK DISTRICT WEST OF A LINE EXTENDING SOUTH FROM THE ALASKA PENINSULA, NEAR KILOKAK ROCKS, ALONG 156° 20.22' W. LONG., AND EAST OF A LINE EXTENDING SOUTH FROM CAPE KUMLIK ALONG 157° 27.00' W. LONG.;

(f) Chignik District: all Pacific Ocean waters east of a line extending 135° southeast from Kupreanof Point at 55° 33.98' N. lat., 159° 35.88' W. long., [TO CASTLE ROCK AT 55° 16.80' N. LAT., 159° 29.11' W. LONG., AND EXTENDING 135° SOUTHEAST FROM CASTLE ROCK,] and west of a line extending **135° southeast from a point near Kilokak Rocks at 57° 10.34' N. lat., 156° 20.22' W. long., (the longitude of the southern entrance to Imuya Bay);** [SOUTH FROM CAPE KUMLIK ALONG 157° 27.00 W. LONG.;

5 AAC 35.506. Area J registration.

[(B) NOTWITHSTANDING (C) AND (G) OF THIS SECTION, A TANNER CRAB VESSEL VALIDLY REGISTERED FOR THE CHIGNIK DISTRICT MAY BE USED TO TAKE TANNER CRAB IN THE SEMIDI ISLAND OVERLAP SECTION OF THE KODIAK DISTRICT AS SPECIFIED IN 5 AAC 35.507.]

5 AAC 35.507. Kodiak, Chignik, and South Peninsula Districts *C. bairdi* Tanner crab harvest strategies.

(c) In the Kodiak District,

[(3) IN THE SEMIDI ISLAND OVERLAP SECTION,]

[(A) THE FISHERY WILL OPEN WHEN EITHER THE SOUTHWEST SECTION OF THE KODIAK DISTRICT OR THE CHIGNIK DISTRICT IS OPENED;]

**What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?** The Chignik Area has different boundaries in the tanner crab fishery when compared to the salmon boundaries for the Chignik Area. The Chignik Area boundaries should be uniform for all fisheries

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