

PROPOSAL 37

5 AAC 55.022. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Prince William Sound Area.

Establish sport bag and possession limit for lake trout in the Prince William Sound area, as follows:

5 AAC 55.022. is amended to read:

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(12) lake trout; may be taken from January 1 - December 31; bag and possession limit of 2 fish; no size limit;

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why?

The department plans to begin stocking lake trout in Blueberry Lake in the Prince William Sound Management Area in 2020. In addition, wild lake trout occur naturally in at least one other lake within the Prince William Sound Management Area. Lake trout are not specified under general provisions in 5 AAC 55.022; therefore, they fall under “Other finfish” and may be taken January 1 - December 31 with no bag, possession, or size limits. This would align regulations and management strategy with lake trout life history and with other management area regulations for lake trout.

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