PROPOSAL 191

5 AAC 34.113. Southeast Alaska Red King Crab Management Plan.

Amend the *Southeast Alaska Red King Crab Management Plan* to base harvestable surplus on historical fishery performance information when surveys are not available, as follows:

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- (c) Until January 1, 2027, the department shall open all areas except Section 11A, for a fishery on even-years for a minimum of 3 days and maximum of 7 days. Managers can close areas on 5 hours notice, based on commercial CPUE. In the event an area has a high CPUE, managers may choose to re-open an area at their discretion.
 - (1) Permit holders will be required to pre-register for the areas they plan to fish for a trip. Managers must be notified 6 hours in advance of a permit holder setting gear in a new area.
 - (2) Permit holders will be required to call in daily to report their catch.
 - (d) the Policy on King and Tanner Crab Resource Management (90-04-FB, March 23, 1990) For those fisheries without surveys or historical catch information adequate for estimating the population size, the GHL will be set based on historical fishery performance, catch, and population trend.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? In the event the funding for the red king crab survey is removed from the ADF&G budget, we are asking ADF&G develop a harvest strategy that relies on fishery performance, catch, and population trend as the main population estimates.

PROPOSED BY: Petersburg Vessel Owner's Association and Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance

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