



Alaska Board of Fisheries

**COOK INLET, KODIAK, WESTWARD, ARCTIC SHELLFISH AND SHELLFISH
GENERAL PROVISIONS, AND PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND SHRIMP, AND SPECIAL
ISSUES**

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TENTATIVE PROPOSAL ROADMAP

(revised March 19, 2022)

(46 proposals)

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - GROUP 1: MISCELLANEOUS STATEWIDE SPORT
AND COOK INLET AREA SPORT, PERSONAL USE, AND SUBSISTENCE CLAMS (10
proposals – Chair Wood)**

Miscellaneous Statewide Sport (4 Proposals)

- 186 Allow the take of squid with hook and line gear with an unlimited number of hooks.
- 234 Require inseason reporting of non-resident sport fish harvest and effort.
- 235 Modify the definition of domicile and include in sport fishing regulations.
- 236 Modify the definition of domicile and add to sport fishing regulations.

Cook Inlet Area Sport/Personal Use/Subsistence Clams (6 Proposals)

- 255 Close the harvest of littleneck clams and butter clams.
- 256 Modify razor clam bag and possession limit.
- 257 Create a management plan for east Cook Inlet sport and personal use fisheries.
- 258 Close the harvest of littleneck clams and butter clams.
- 259 Modify the razor clam bag and possession limit.
- 262 Reduce the bag limit in the Cook Inlet Area subsistence clam fishery.



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - GROUP 2: PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND AREA
COMMERCIAL SHRIMP AND STATEWIDE SHRIMP (18 proposals – Chair Godfrey)**

Prince William Sound Area Commercial Shrimp and Statewide Shrimp (18 Proposals)

- 237 Provide department authority to deny eligibility to participate in the Prince William Sound noncommercial shrimp fishery if a participant fails to comply with reporting requirements and allow for an appeals process.
- 238 Close the commercial and noncommercial shrimp fisheries in Prince William Sound.
- 239 Allow noncommercial vessels to have additional shrimp pots on board.
- 240 Modify PWS shrimp pot harvest strategy from a static split, between noncommercial and commercial, to a tiered percentage depending on the total allowable harvest level (TAH).
- 241 Define shrimp.
- 242 Establish a minimum threshold of Total Allowable Harvest (TAH) for spot shrimp before allowing a noncommercial fishery in Prince William Sound.
- 243 Amend commercial shrimp pot fishery closed waters boundaries.
- 244 Modify annual shrimp guideline harvest level based on fishery performance in the prior season.
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- 246 Eliminate the commercial shrimp fishery minimum total allowable harvest threshold.
- 247 Establish a minimum pot limit to increase pace of the commercial pot shrimp fishery.
- 248 Establish an earlier start date for the commercial shrimp trawl fishery.
- 249 Clarify areas open to commercial pot shrimp fishing in the Prince William Sound Area.
- 250 Establish an earlier start date for the commercial shrimp pot fishery.
- 251 Establish permit and reporting requirements for shrimp floating processor vessels in the Prince William Sound Area (PWS; Registration Area E).
- 252 Allow vessels registered for the commercial shrimp fishery to also tender shrimp.
- 253 Increase pink shrimp harvest allowance in Prince William Sound.
- 254 Amend closed waters to allow use of beam trawl gear for the harvest of shrimp.



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - GROUP 3: STATEWIDE, COOK INLET, KODIAK, AND SOUTH PENINSULA AREAS COMMERCIAL DUNGENESS CRAB, WESTWARD AREA COMMERCIAL SHRIMP, KODIAK, CHIGNIK, SOUTH PENINSULA, ALEUTIAN ISLANDS, AND BERING SEA AREAS COMMERCIAL TANNER CRAB, KODIAK AREA COMMERCIAL KING CRAB, OBSERVER PROGRAM AND OYSTER IMPORTATION FOR RESEARCH (16 proposals – Chair Jensen)

Cook Inlet, Statewide, Kodiak, and South Peninsula Areas Commercial Dungeness Crab (6 Proposals)

- 260 Establish a commercial Dungeness crab fishing season in Cook Inlet, modify lawful gear for Dungeness crab in the Southern District and establish lawful gear for Dungeness crab in Cook Inlet. establish Registration Area H as an exclusive registration area for Dungeness crab, and modify Registration Area H inspection points.
- 261 Allow use of a ropeless system with submerged buoy in the Dungeness crab fishery.
- 264 Amend regulation requiring operation of Dungeness crab pot gear once within a 14- day period.
- 265 Repeal regulation requiring operation of Dungeness crab pot gear once within a 14- day period.
- 266 Establish Kodiak District Dungeness crab pot limits and restrict concurrent targeting of Dungeness crab and any other commercially harvested species.
- 267 Establish South Peninsula District Dungeness crab pot limits.

Westward Area Commercial Shrimp (1 Proposal)

- 263 Amend Registration Area J commercial shrimp fishery management regulations and allow for department permit authority.

Kodiak, Chignik, South Peninsula, Aleutian Islands, and Bering Sea Areas Commercial Tanner Crab (5 Proposals)

- 268 Adopt a new Tanner crab harvest strategy used to set annual harvest limits in the Kodiak, Chignik, and South Peninsula districts.
- 269 Amend regulatory thresholds and establish new management measures for Kodiak District Tanner crab.
- 270 Amend pot limits for Kodiak District Tanner crab.
- 271 Reduce size of stretched mesh escape webbing for *C. bairdi* Tanner crab pot gear in Registration Area J except in the Bering Sea District.
- 272 Adopt a new Eastern Aleutian District Tanner crab harvest strategy used to set annual harvest limits.



Kodiak Area Commercial King Crab (1 Proposal)

273 Allow longlining of pot gear for Registration Area K golden king crab.

Observer Program (2 Proposals)

274 Increase minimum training requirements needed for scallop trainee observer candidates.

275 Extend the observer certification expiration period from 12 months to 18 months.

Oyster Importation for Research (1 Proposal)

281 Allow importation of live oysters from the Pacific Coast of North America for research purposes.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - GROUP 4: ALASKA PENINSULA AREA COMMERCIAL SALMON, AND UPPER COOK INLET AREA COMMERCIAL SALMON (2 proposals – Chair Payton)

Alaska Peninsula Area Commercial Salmon (1 Proposal)

282 Modify commercial salmon fisheries opening dates and times in the South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan, and the Post-June Salmon Management Plan for the South Alaska Peninsula.

Upper Cook Inlet Area Commercial Salmon (1 Proposal)

283 Amend the Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Management Plan to allow fishing with set gillnet gear within 600 feet of the mean high tide mark in the Upper Subdistrict when sonar passage of large late-run Kenai River king salmon exceeds 13,500 fish, and Kenai and Kasilof river sockeye salmon escapement objectives are being met.