

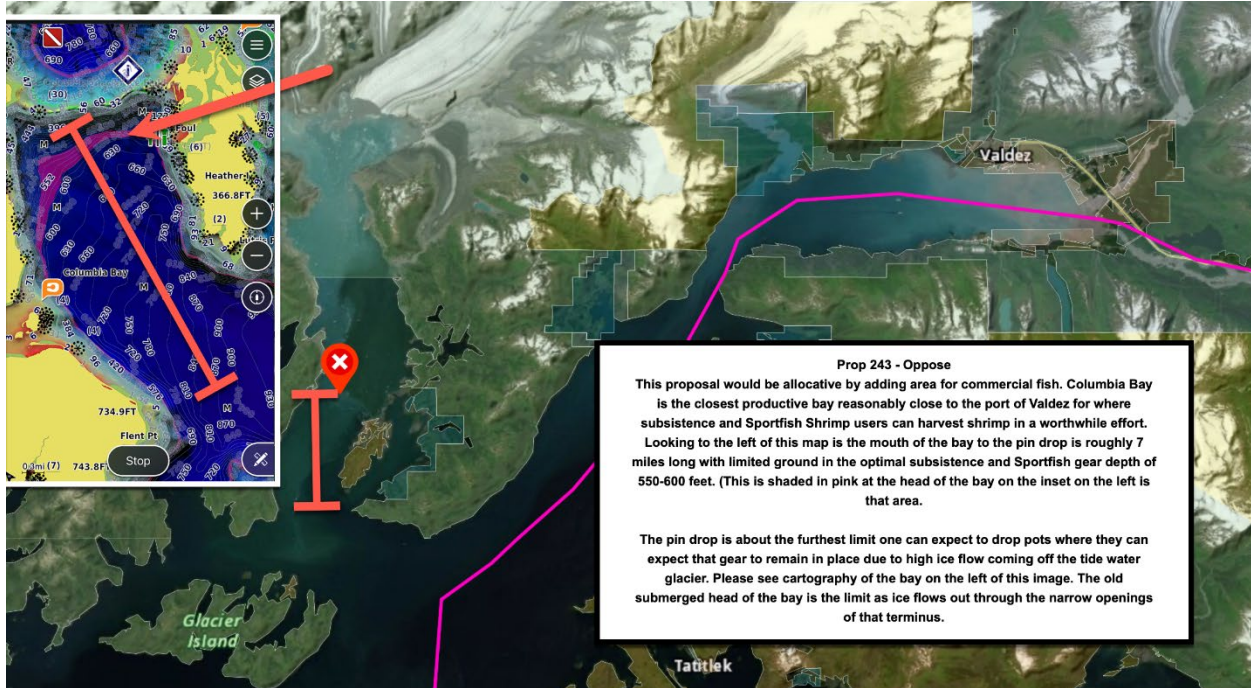
My friends and family utilize this fishery to harvest subsistence and sport caught shrimp. It is about 40 miles outside Valdez and reasonably accessible by small craft. Attached is a map that gives context opposition. The Columbia tide water glacier dumps ice into the area making setting gear north of the old terminus "berm" unreasonable due to the likelihood it will be picked up and dragged off. (see attached garmin cartography of the bay) Adding this area for the commercial fleet will increase conflict with the limited grounds that yield shrimp within the bay.

TEXT ON ATTACHED MAP:

Prop 243 - Oppose

This proposal would be allocative by adding area for commercial fish. Columbia Bay is the closest productive bay reasonably close to the port of Valdez for where subsistence and Sportfish Shrimp users can harvest shrimp in a worthwhile effort. Looking to the left of this map is the mouth of the bay to the pin drop is roughly 7 miles long with limited ground in the optimal subsistence and Sportfish gear depth of 550-600 feet. (This is shaded in pink at the head of the bay on the inset on the left is that area.

The pin drop is about the furthest limit one can expect to drop pots where they can expect that gear to remain in place due to high ice flow coming off the tide water glacier. Please see cartography of the bay on the left of this image. The old submerged head of the bay is the limit as ice flows out through the narrow openings of that terminus.



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