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5 AAC 15.357. Chignik Area Salmon Management Plan.

Amend the Chignik Area Salmon Management Plan to increase commercial salmon fishing time and area in the Eastern District in August, as follows:

Insert language to specifically allow for more opportunity to harvest pinks & chums in the Eastern District in August:

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(c) (4) from August 1 to August 31, [AFTER JULY 31] the department shall manage the commercial salmon fishery based on abundance of pink and chum salmon stocks. [ITS EVALUATION OF LOCAL PINK, CHUM, AND COHO SALMON RUNS OR THE STRENGTH OF THE CHIGNIK LAKE SOCKEYE SALMON RUN.]

(5) After August 1, In order to limit the harvest of non-local sockeve stocks that may be harvested incidentally, the department shall restrict the fishery to the north and west of the boundary lines for statistical areas, 272-95, 272-91, 272-81, 272-73, 272-71, 272-60, upon reaching a sockeye harvest of 20,000 fish in the Eastern District, based on fish ticket information.

(c) (5) after August 31, fishing periods shall be based on abundance of coho salmon stocks, although the department may consider the abundance of late pink and chum salmon stocks.

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