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Substitute language for Jensen proposes revised language of proposal 136 (RC 188)

Explanation:

- 1) Total proposed fishing time in RC 188 for seine and drift gear equal to 256 hours as proposed in RC 188.
- 2) Total fishing time will be divided up into the following four fishing periods:
 - i) 68 consecutive hours starting June 10 at 6am
 - ii) 68 consecutive hours starting June 16 at 2am
 - iii) 60 consecutive hours starting June 21 at 8am
 - iv) 60 consecutive hours starting June 26 at 8am
- 3) No change to setnet fishing times as specified in RC 188
- 4) A combined chum salmon cumulative harvest trigger is established for seine and drift gillnet gear at 450,000 fish at any point during the season. All boats will be required to install certified video surveillance to verify that all caught fish are retained.

5 AAC 09.365. South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan is amended to read:

(a) The South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June fisheries harvest both sockeye salmon and chum salmon in a mixed stock fishery during the month of June. The sockeye salmon are predominantly of Bristol Bay [AND ALASKA PENINSULA] origin. The chum salmon are bound for a number of areas, including Japan, Russia, the Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim, Bristol Bay, the Alaska Peninsula, and southcentral Alaska. These salmon stocks have historically been harvested along the south Alaska Peninsula during the month of June. This management plan is intended to be consistent with the Policy for the Management of Sustainable Salmon Fisheries (5 AAC 39.222) and the Policy for the Management of Mixed Stock Salmon Fisheries (5 AAC 39.220).

(b) The South Unimak fishery takes place in the Unimak District, the Southwestern District (excluding the Volcano Bay Section), the east Pavlof Bay and the west Pavlof Bay Sections of the South Central District, and the Bechevin Bay Section of the Northwestern District.

(c) The Shumagin Islands fishery takes place in the Shumagin Islands Section.

(d) In the South Unimak and Shumagin Islands fisheries, the commissioner may establish, by emergency order, commercial fishing periods as follows:

(1) for set gillnet gear,

(A) beginning June 6, commercial fishing periods will begin at 6:00 a.m. and run 64 hours until 10:00 p.m. two days later; beginning June 10, commercial fishing periods will begin at 6:00 a.m. and run 88 hours until 10:00 p.m. three days later; commercial fishing will then close for 32 hours and reopen at 6:00 a.m. two days later;

(B) notwithstanding (A) of this paragraph, the final commercial fishing period will end at 10:00 p.m. on June 28;

(2) for seine and drift gillnet gear,

(A) beginning June 10, **the first** commercial fishing period[S] will begin at 6:00am and run **68 consecutive** hours, [UNTIL 10:00 PM, THREE DAYS LATER]: **the second commercial fishing period will begin at 2:00am and remain open for 68 consecutive hours; the third fishing period will begin at 8am on June 21 at 8am and remain open for 60 consecutive hours; the final fishing period will begin at 8am on June 26 at 8am and remain open for 60 consecutive hours.**[THEN CLOSE FOR 32 HOURS AND REOPEN AT 6:00 AM TWO DAYS LATER].

(B) notwithstanding (A) of this paragraph, the final commercial fishing period will end at 10:00 p.m. on June 28.

(e) If chum salmon harvest equals or exceeds 450,000 fish at any point before June 28, based on fish ticket information, the commissioner shall close the fishing season in the South Unimak and Shumagin Islands for the remainder of June.

(f) [e] All salmon caught by a CFEC permit holder must be retained, and each CFEC permit holder must report the number of salmon caught, including those taken but not sold, on an ADF&G fish ticket. For the purposes of this subsection, "caught" means brought on board the vessel. All boats will be required to install certified video surveillance that will be used to verify that all caught fish are retained.

(g) [f] Notwithstanding (d) of this section, commercial salmon fishing will close in the waters of the Volcano Bay Section of the Southwestern District south and east of a line from Arch Point Light at 55° 12.30' N. lat., 161° 54.30' W. long. to a point on Belkofski Peninsula at 55° 09.50' N. lat., 161° 57.80' W. long. and in the portion of the West Pavlof Bay Section south of Black Point (55° 24.48' N. lat.), if the harvest of sockeye salmon from the South Central District, the Volcano Bay Section of the Southwestern District, and the Belkofski Bay Section, excluding those waters inside of a line between Vodapoini Point and Bold Cape, reaches 191,000 sockeye salmon based on fish ticket information.

(h) [g] Notwithstanding (d) of this section, commercial salmon fishing is closed to purse seine gear in the waters of the Volcano Bay Section of the Southwestern District, the Belkofski

Bay Section of the Southwestern District, excluding those waters inside of a line between Vodapoini Point at 55° 01.88' N. lat., 162° 24.80 W. long., and Bold Cape at 55° 01.24' N. lat., 162° 16.40' W. long., and the South Central District.

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