Alternate Language #1

RC -Mark McNeley
Department of Fish and Gamei.
February 23, 2023
Substitute language for proposal 120
5 AAC 09.369 is amended to read:
5 AAC 09.369. Northern District Salmon Fisheries Management Plan.
(n) From June 20 through July 20 [31], the department shall manage the Bear River, Three Hills, [AND] Ilnik Sections sections to conserve [BEAR RIVER AND] Nelson River sockeye salmon stocks by allowing the passage of sockeye salmon from the northeast to the southwest of the Northern District [AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION]. Notwithstanding the provisions of 5 AAC 09.320, from June 20 through July 20 [31], the commissioner shall, by emergency order, establish fishing periods for the Bear River, [AND] Three Hills, [SECTIONS AND THAT PORTION OF THE] Ilnik Sections [SECTION BETWEEN THE LONGITUDE OF UNANGASHAK BLUFFS AND THE LONGITUDE OF THREE HILLS AT 159° 49.45' W. LONG.], during which these sections shall be [THE WATERS THAT ARE BETWEEN THE THREE-MILE SEAWARD BOUNDARY LINE, DESCRIBED IN 5 AAC 09.301, AND A LINE THAT IS ONE AND ONE-HALF MILES SHOREWARD OF THE THREE-MILE SEAWARD BOUNDARY ARE] closed concurrently for one 72-hour [24-HOUR] period during a seven-day period, however, if interim escapement objectives are being exceeded at either the Ilnik, Sandy, or Bear Rivers, the commissioner may, by emergency order, allow fishing periods in the waters from the shore out to one and one-half mile line in those sections during the closure period established under this subsection [. THE WATERS LOCATED TO THE SOUTHWEST OF THE OPEN WATERS WHERE A 24-HOUR CLOSURE HAS OCCURRED WILL HAVE SEQUENTIAL CLOSURES THAT ALLOW FISHING ONLY IN THE WATERS OUT TO THE ONE AND ONE-HALF MILE LINE DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION FOR THE FIRST 24 HOURS OF AN OPEN FISHING PERIOD. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION DO NOT APPLY AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2018]

OPH status quo.

Ilnik, three hills, bear river sections 4 days on 3 days off.

1-1/2 mile language stays the same as RC 131

If interim escapement objectives are being exceeded.

ALT 2

Alternate Language #2

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OPH status quo.

Ilnik, three hills, bear river sections 4 days on 3 days off.

1-1/2 mile language stays the same as RC 131

If interim escapement objectives are being met.