

PROPOSAL 1

5 AAC 28.577. South Alaska Peninsula Area Pacific Cod Management Plan.

Increase South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod guideline harvest level from 30% to 50% of the estimated total allowable harvest of Pacific cod for the federal Western Gulf of Alaska Area, as follows:

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Increase the South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod fishery GHl from 30 percent to 50 percent of the Western Gulf of Alaska TAC.

Communities in the South Peninsula are dependent on the Pacific Cod fishery and the local fleet are primarily <60 pot vessels. Local communities and harvesters have suffered from recent declines in WGOA quota, and allocating more TAC into the state-waters fishery would provide a more stable harvest opportunity to locals throughout the region.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. the guideline harvest level for Pacific cod on the South Alaska Peninsula area is 50 [30] percent of the estimated total allowable harvest of the Pacific cod for the federal Western Gulf of Alaska Area.

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