PROPOSAL 111

5 AAC 15.357. Chignik Area Salmon Management Plan.

Amend the *Chignik Area Salmon Management Plan* to create two new statistical areas in the Western District as follows:

- 5 AAC 15.357. Chignik Area Salmon Management Plan. (d)...
- (3) from August 1 to August 31, the department shall manage the fishing periods in the Outer Castle Cape Subsection, Chankliut Island Subsection, Devil's Bay Subsection, Outer Kuiukta Bay area, <u>East and West</u> Mitrofania Island area, Outer Perryville Subsection and the Outer Humpback Bay Subsection based on the department's evaluation of local pink and chum salmon runs or the strength of the Chignik Lake sockeye salmon run;
 - (f) For the purposes of this section, the
- (9) East Mitrofania Island area is all waters of the Mitrofania Section south of the Mitrofania Bay area and east of a line extending 145° from Stirni Point at 55° 54.42' N lat., 158° 55.13' W long.;
- (10) West Mitrofania Island Area is all waters of the Mitrofania Section south of the Coal Cape area and west of a line extending 145° from Stirni Point at 55° 54.42' N lat., 158° 55.13' W long.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Current regulations do not allow for discrete management within the Mitrofania Island Area of the Western District of the CMA. By splitting the Mitrofania Island Area into 2 parts, it allows the department more precise management of the area to help fishermen avoid chinook salmon that may be travelling through the area at certain times while preserving harvest opportunities within the area where chinook salmon are not present.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. Yes. The Chignik Advisory Committee is submitting this proposal.