PROPOSAL 158

5 AAC 65.022. Special provisions for bag, possession, and annual limits, and methods and means in the Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands Area.

Prohibit retention of king salmon in the Sandy River, as follows:

Make the Sandy River a catch and release only fishery.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Based on angler catch information the number and size of King Salmon in the Sandy River over the last 10 years has been steadily decreasing. While the number of anglers that are harvesting King Salmon in the Sandy River appears to be relatively small, as long as the fishery continues to decline, a no kill regulation seems reasonable.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. With anglers who have been fishing the Sandy River for the last 10+ years.