PROPOSAL 161

5 AAC 09.XXX. New Section.

Adopt an Alaska Peninsula king salmon management plan, as follows:

Adopt a King Salmon Management plan for streams located on the Alaska Peninsula and are a part of the Bering Sea drainage that do not currently have a plan in place and have an active sports or subsistence or personal use fishery associated with them.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? We are experiencing severe declines in our king salmon populations all over Alaska. These declines can be attributed to numerous causes, some that are beyond our ability to control and others that we can take measures to insure we can offer additional protection to a specie that is struggling. This proposal is intended to help us get a handle on managing the runs that we have and put tools in a tool box to use if or when runs become jeopardized or if they are flourishing and healthy, where we can consider liberalizing.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain.