PROPOSAL 17

5 AAC 01.220. Lawful gear and gear specifications.

Allow the use of 6" or less mesh gillnets during times of salmon conservation, as follows:

<u>In Hamilton Slough, Anen'eq River (Unuk River), and Ingricuar River, set gillnets of six inch or smaller mesh may be used from September 1 to September 30; gillnets must be 60 feet or less in length and at least 300' upstream from the mouth.</u>

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Lift the restriction from 4-inch mesh 60 feet gillnets to 6-inch or less mesh 60 feet long gillnets in three areas below Mountain Village; Hamilton Slough leading to 3 Finger Lake, Anen'eq (Anuk) River and Ingricuar River so that sheefish and whitefish can be harvested in the month of September when they are abundant. Salmon species are not a concern.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. [The Mid-Lower Yukon AC met on March 6 and discussed and drafted this proposal. The Mid-Lower Yukon AC met again on March 31; and voted X to X to accept this proposal as written.]

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