PROPOSAL 174

5 AAC 39.260. Seine specifications and operations.

Allow the engine of a purse seine vessel or skiff to be shut off when the purse seine is deployed, as follows:

Under seine specifications and operations I would delete (I) During the operation of a purse seine, the propulsion engines of the seiner or skiff assisting the operation, must be running and the vessel must be controlling configuration of the purse seine.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? When fishing is slow or the fish are spooky, the requirement to have your engines running is unnecessary. Sometimes you just want to hang on your gear or be quiet to encourage fish to pass into the set. The requirement seems 1)unnecessary and 2)a waste of fuel

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