

PROPOSAL 46

5 AAC 06.364 Naknek-Kvichak District Commercial Set and Drift Gillnet Sockeye Salmon Fisheries Management and Allocation Plan.

Amend the dates described in the *Naknek-Kvichak District Commercial Set and Drift Gillnet Sockeye Salmon Fisheries Management and Allocation Plan*, as follows:

5AAC 06.364 Allocation in Naknek-Kvichak for Set and Drift Sockeye Salmon. Currently this regulation is consistent with 5AAC 06.320-that starts June 1st 9:00 am to 9:00am July 17th.

Change dates in 5AAC 06.364 to 9:00 am June 1st to 9:00 am July [17] **22nd** to be consistent with proposals on 06.320 and 06.370 [b] submitted by Richard Wilson

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Naknek-Kvichak sockeye salmon runs have been peaking later in July. We need to extend the dates to assure the later salmon runs reach their escapement goals before opening it up to the entire Bristol Bay Fleet. The Naknek/Kvichak salmon run peaks later than most other districts in Bristol Bay. And do to the mass increase in boats after the regulatory period ends July 17th, the district is still looking to get its optimum escapement goal. Changing the allocation plan end date from July 17th to **July 22nd** will ensure that management will have the necessary tools to manage for optimum escapement goals and will keep the allocation between gear types more manageable. This proposal will align with Regulation 5aac 06.331 Gillnet Specifications for protection of our King Salmon in season and later King runs.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain. I was encouraged by local Nak/Kvi AC members and local Naknek/Kvichak Fish Biologist.

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