

Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game at the request of board member Jeffrey

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Substitute regulatory language for Proposal 240

5 AAC 05.362. Yukon River Summer Chum Salmon Management Plan..

5 AAC 05.362 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(k) In Districts 1-3, during times when the commissioner determines that it is necessary for the conservation of king salmon, the commissioner may, by emergency order, close the commercial gillnet fishing season and immediately reopen a fishing season during which

(1) a person may fish with

(A) up to four dip nets as defined in 5AAC 39.105(24);

(B) beach seine gear with mesh size that does not exceed four inches stretched measure may be used; and

(3) all king salmon caught in dip net and beach seine gear must be returned immediately to the water alive.

Statewide definition of "dip net" (For Informational Purposes)

5 AAC 39.105 (24) a dip net is a bag-shaped net supported on all sides by a rigid frame; the maximum straight-line distance between any two points on the net frame, as measured through the net opening, may not exceed five feet; the depth of the bag must be at least one-half of the greatest straight-line distance, as measured through the net opening; no portion of the bag may be constructed of webbing that exceeds a stretched measurement of 4.5 inches; the frame must be attached to a single rigid handle and be operated by hand;